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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1715
Date: 30 July 1949

SUBJECT: Repatriate Activities

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that approximately 100 cases of food poisoning, believed caused by fish served at lunch on 29 July 1949, has broken out among repatriates aboard the repatriation ship, MEIYU-MARU. Medical authorities attempted to remove sick repatriates to Repatriation Center dispensary at MAIZURU, but the repatriates affected refused to debark.

b. Repatriates aboard the MEIYU-MARU are continuing the arrogant attitudes reported of previous 1949 returnees. A repatriate manned brass band is aboard the ship leading the men in singing and dancing in defiance of port commander's 29 July order forbiding such demonstrations.

c. Repatriates gave false information in supplying data for the ship's roster, giving closed internment camps as their point of incarceration.

d. Police attempting to remove 16 repatriate leaders from the ship were foiled when remainder of repatriates locked arms and defied the police.

e. Repatriate Company Commanders were summoned to the ship's bridge at 0840, 30 July 1949, but did not report until the boarding party left the ship at 1005. Debarking had not begun as of 1005 at which time only Japanese officials were left aboard.

2. G-2 Comment:

As previously predicted by G-2, it is clear that every incoming repatriate ship will give increasing trouble. It can be expected that the Japan Communist Party will become aware of the food poisoning case reported here and will make much of it and eventually the Soviet radio and news propagandists will use the story in their blasts at the Japanese Government, the Occupation and SCAP.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe and further developments will be reported.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, G-3, G-2 Eighth Army, PH&W, CPM, CTS and GS.

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Hour: 1120
Date: 27 July 1949

SUBJECT: Repatriates From Recently Returned Ships Waging Sit-down Strike In Compound of Repatriates Relief Agency

T[illegible] : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that on 25 July 1949, about 240 repatriates with representatives of the JCP, a Livelihood Protection League, and the Sanbetsu called upon the Repatriates Assistance Bureau and presented the following demands:

1. Cessation of military and ideological investigations (the group made it clear that they were referring to the Allied investigations being conducted at the ports.)
2. Cessation of illegal incarcerations.
3. Recognize the freedom of speech, assembly and personal movement.
4. Elimination of enforced "reactionary" education.
5. Distribution of Yen 15,000 per person travelling expenses to return home.
6. Eliminate system of designating "Special" repatriation trains and permit repatriates to debark at any station they desire along the way.
7. Abolish the prohibition of "Democratic" groups to welcome repatriates.
8. Recognize the bringing of Red Flags to railroad stations.
9. Guarantee jobs for repatriates and guarantee the livelihood of jobless.
10. The Japanese Government bear all expense incurred by the strikers during the course of the present negotiations.

b. The group announced that they would stay where they were until the demands were met. Early 26 July 1949, another increment arrived bringing the total to about 340 persons.

c. CCD intercepted a telephone call which indicated that the JCP and Communist-dominated unions are trying to swell the crowd by turning out as many of the faithful as possible.

d. At 2300 hours, 26 July 1949, four truck loads left the Welfare Ministry and proceeded to Ueno Station where about 70 boarded the train and departed from Tokyo. The other 270 stayed in Shitayo Auditorium near Ueno Station last night and are expected to reassemble in the vicinity of the Welfare Ministry some time today.

2. G-2 Comment: While there have been no demonstrations beyond those mentioned above the presence of this crowd has prevented the Repatriation Assistance Bureau from functioning normally.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, CTS, GS, A-2 FEAF, PMS, DS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1945
Date: 26 July 1949

SUBJECT: Non-Cooperation of Repatriates

TO : Chief of Staff

1. As of 1830, 26 July Colonel Dusenbury, G-2 Eighth Army, reported as follows:

a. The repatriate ship, Shinyu Maru, arrived off the port of Maizuru at 1500, 25 July. A boarding party endeavored to have the repatriates fill out Phase 1 Card and the repatriates refused. The boarding party left the ship at 2000, 25 July, leaving the repatriates aboard ship.

b. On the morning of 26 July, 55 individuals filled out Phase 1 Cards and were unloaded from the ship. Prior to noon, 57 leaders were removed from the ship without having filled out these identification cards. During the afternoon all other remaining repatriates aboard ship filled out the cards. The ship will be docked tomorrow morning, 27 July and unloaded of remaining passengers.

2. Colonel Dusenbury requested the following information:

a. Whether or not filling out Phase 1 Cards is an Occupation requirement and

b. What is the authority.

3. Action Taken: G-2 Eighth Army has been informed that:

a. The identification and interrogation of former Japanese prisoners of war is a normal procedure and precedence established over a period of years.

b. That the Department of the Army has issued numerous directives on this Headquarters for this interrogation.

c. That he should recognize this refusal to answer on the part of these repatriates as a part of a well conceived plan directed by interests inimical to that of the United States.

d. That any vacillation or display of weakness on our part would be against the best interest of Occupation authorities particularly at this time.

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G-2, GHQ
INTER - OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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File No: **Subject:** G-2 Deputy Senior Duty Officer Report **Date:** 26 July 1949

FROM: Col Fortier **TO:** Gen Willoughby **PHONE:** **NAME:**

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2. As of 1700, 26 July the repatriates still refused to fill out phase one card and the ship had still not been permitted to dock.

3. Colonel Dusenberry desires to know as soon as possible whether or not filling out phase one card is an Occupation requirement and what is the authority therefor. He stated that at that particular stage this was extremely important. It was anticipated that the contention aboard this ship was definitely making an issue of it.

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c. Col. Dusenberry submitted this report to G-2

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1630
Date: 25 July 1949

SUBJECT: Japan Farmer's Union (Nippon Nomin Kumiai) Demonstration

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that the Japan Farmer's Union (Nippon Nomin Kumiai) is holding a meeting at the school ground of the Tokyo Kaisei Institute. This meeting is to be followed by a demonstration-march starting from the Tokyo Kaisei Institute proceeding to the Palace Ground Plaza where they will disperse.

b. Purpose of the meeting and demonstration is to "debate on issues to protect the livelihood of farmers as well as agriculture".

c. About 1,000 people are in attendance.

2. G-2 Comment: The Japan Farmer's Union is not considered to be a strong organization because it is split into two factions consisting of Communists and anti-Communists. It is the leftist faction that is sponsoring this demonstration.

3. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; GS, ESS; PM; G-3; A-2, FEAF.

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Hour: 1900
Date: 24 July 1949

SUBJECT: Soviet Officer Claims Karafuto Repatriation Complete

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that BESSHO Sakae, master of the repatriation ship, HAKURYO-MARU, which arrived in Hakodate 0710 hours, 23 July 1949, stated that he was told by Col. GOROVANOV, Soviet head of Maoka Repatriation Center, that no more repatriation ships would leave Karafuto as those Japanese still in Karafuto wish to remain there. According to BESSHO, the Soviet Colonel added that this information is official. The first-mate of the HAKURYO-MARU confirmed his captain's statement.

2. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, CTS, GS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF, COMNAVFE, G-1.

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Hour: 1750
Date: 22 July 1949

SUBJECT: JCP Posters Allege Violence

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Reports, subject: "Communists Arrested for Displaying Posters Derogatory to Occupation Forces, Osaka", dated 2000 hours, 20 July 1949, and 1700 hours, 21 July 1949.

b. CIC reports that the twelve members of the JCP who were arrested on 20 July 1949, are being held on an "open charge" pending outcome of investigation.

c. Based on CIC reports and on statements from local S-2's there have been no acts of violence on the part of Occupation troops to justify the allegations made in any of the posters displayed. Indications are that the posters were printed and plans were made to display them in conjunction with the maneuvers contemplated by the 25th Division to be held on or about 8 July 1949. However the maneuvers were called off because of heavy rains and therefore there were no troops in the area at the time the allegations were made.

d. CIC reports that a new display of posters alleging rape, terror and violence in Tsuruga were put up in public places in Kobe City and Osaka on 17 and 18 July 1949. These posters are carefully phrased so that they do not directly accuse Occupation troops of the alleged violence.

e. The Procurator's Office in Kobe is studying whether any criminal charges can be brought against JCP members who sponsored this latest display of posters.

f. CIC learned from a confidential source that instructions were issued on 20 July 1949, by the JCP (Osaka Prefectural Headquarters) to continue the display of posters referring to the Tsuruga incident.

2. G-2 Comment: Under the Japanese law an accused can be held on "open charge" by the police for 48 hours, and by the Procurator for 10 days. The investigation referred to in 1b above is to determine whether the arrested members of JCP can be tried for violation of SCAPIN 33 (Press Code) and Imperial Ordnance 311 of 1946; the Imperial Ordnance concerning the punishment for acts prejudicial to the Occupation objectives, etc.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF, ComNavFE,, Prov. Marshal.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1700
Date: 21 July 1949

21397

SUBJECT: Communists Arrested for Displaying Posters Derogatory to Occupation Forces, Osaka

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 2000 hours, 20 July 1949.

b. CIC reports that at about 1600, 20 July 1949, the Osaka Municipal Police Bureau conducted a surprise raid on the prefectural committee headquarters of JCP in an attempt to produce evidence relative to an article concerning conduct of personnel of 25th Division appearing in Osaka Peoples' News (OSAKA MINPO, a Communist organ newspaper). No arrests were made.

c. Among the miscellaneous documents confiscated during the raid were copies of the "Peoples' News", and a draft of a propaganda handbill on the arrest of the JCP members who were alleged to have displayed posters containing derogatory information about 25th Division personnel.

d. CIC reports that the 24th Infantry and the 159th Field Artillery Battalion are now on maneuvers in the TSURUGA area, however at the time the allegations were made in the posters, they were not there nor were any other troops there.

2. G-2 Comment: This is believed to be typical of the tactics adopted by the Japanese Communists in their efforts to stir up and aggravate discontent. Based on reports from CIC and statements by local S-2's it is further believed that there is no foundation in fact for the allegations as publicized by the Communists.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff/SCAP and FEC, CTS, GS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF, COMNAVFE.

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Hour: 2000
Date: 20 Jul 49

SUBJECT: Communists Arrested for Displaying Posters Derogatory to Occupation Forces, Osaka

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Osaka CIC Area reports that, at 0503, 20 Jul 49, 12 members of Japan Communist Party were arrested by Japanese police in Osaka Prefecture in connection with display of posters which stated that members of 25th Infantry Division presently on maneuvers in vicinity of Tsuruga-shi, Fukui-ken, were engaged in widespread violence and rape.

b. Osaka Municipal Police planned to raid Osaka Prefectural Headquarters of Japan Communist Party on afternoon of 20 Jul 49 to obtain evidence and arrest persons responsible for similar article which appeared in prefectural Communist organ newspaper.

2. Action:

a. G-2, 25th Div, cognizant. Osaka CIC Area continues to observe; further information will be reported as obtained.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, CIS, GS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF, COMNAVFE.

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Hour: 1615
Date: 20 July 1949

SUBJECT: Second Group of 4,000 Repatriates Arrive at Maizuru

TO : Chief of Staff.

1. Information:
Following is compiled from CIC reports, and telephone reports from G-2, 8th Army, and Maizuru Repatriation Center:

a. "Taiiku Maru", which had been delayed by a storm, arrived at Maizuru at 0930 hours, 20 July 49. Repatriates aboard, who had refused to talk to officers during voyage, would not talk to boarding party, and refused to fill out demobilization papers and identity cards. They were informed they would not be unloaded until they did, and ship remained in outer harbor.

b. Second ship, "Eihiko Maru", arrived at Maizuru at 1152 hours. Repatriates filled out forms readily, but refused to talk. Ship was moved into inner harbor and unloaded without incident.

c. When repatriates on "Taiiku Maru" observed second ship unloading before their own, they signified their intentions of complying with regulations. This ship is now being unloaded.

d. Both shiploads began to talk after they had been ashore for a short time. Colonel Harold Doud (C.O. Repatriation Center), is not disturbed by the situation, and does not anticipate any further trouble at this time.

2. Action:

a. Observation is continuing, and any further developments will be reported.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, GS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF, ComNavFE.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1545
Date: 18 July 1949

SUBJECT: KOKUTETSU Reaction to Dismissal of SUZUKI

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information

a. CTS reports that the Railway authorities propose to dismiss Vice President SUZUKI Ichizo and 17 other Communist members of the National Railway Workers' Union (KOKUTETSU) Central Struggle Committee, as part of their new group of dismissals.

b. CCD reports that a conference of the Central Committee of the National Railway Workers' Union was scheduled to take place today at 1400 hours at National Railway Workers' Union Headquarters to discuss these proposed dismissals. It has not been determined that this meeting has taken place.

c. CCD also reports information to the effect that there would be a Special Emergency Central Struggle Committee Conference of the National Foodstuff Distribution Corporation Workers' Union. (This meeting may have no connection with the Railway Workers' Union, and may be connected in some other way with dismissals affecting the Foodstuff workers.)

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Some repercussion would naturally be expected as a consequence of the dismissal of the Vice President of the Railway Workers' Union, and seventeen other members of its Central Struggle Committee. The discharge of these eighteen Communists who hold important Union positions is striking the Communists in a sensitive spot and counter-moves may be expected.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PMS, GS, Tokyo PM, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3, A-2 FEAF.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1630
Date: 17 July 1949

SUBJECT: Indications of Centralized JCP Control of National Railway Workers' Union Activities (Kokutetsu)

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
   a. Reference Spot Intelligence Report, dated 1610 hours, 14 Jul 49.
   b. The following items of spot intelligence tending to confirm reference above, and indicating lines of activity of a serious nature, have been received in the past 24 hours.
      (1) Hyogo CIC Area learned from confidential sources that Directive #314, Political Bureau, JCP, to all JCP cells in National Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu) states: "Find weak spots in circle of oppression ...before 10 July 49. Stand prepared to start revolution, terrorism and sabotage. Weak points already picked out are:
      "1. Numazu, Shizuoka-ken, railway headquarters...Tokyo Shinjuku Roundhouse...These (roundhouses) all belong to Government Railway.
      "2. At the Shimojujo yard in Tokyo, Kakushin Domei, an affiliate of CP will be called on to tie up yards."
      (2) Aichi CIC Area reported that Nakashima Iyoichi, anti-Communist engineer, was called from his work at 0900 hours, 16 Jul 49 by three alleged JCP members belonging to Kokutetsu for questioning by the Nagoya JCP Executive Committee. At 1430 hours, 16 July, searching parties found him unconscious in the coal house of the Locomotive Section, Nagoya Railway Bureau. He regained consciousness at 1730 hours but refused to make any statement as to his disappearance.
      (3) Miyazaki CIC Area reported National Rural Police recovered approximately 34,000 sticks of dynamite and 4,800 hand grenades buried in Tsunomachi, Koya-gun, Miyazaki Prefecture. Investigation is continuing.
      (4) Shizuoka CIC Area learned from confidential source that Nozaka Sanzo, member of JCP Central Committee, was expected to arrive in Numazu-shi, Shizuoka Prefecture at about 1700 hours, 16 July 49, remaining there until 0731, 19 July 49 when he departs for Tokyo.
   2. G-2 Comment: Although direct evidence is lacking to tie in the items listed to JCP Directive #314, nevertheless they follow the pattern called for therein. The visit of Nozaka Sanzo to Numazu (see Directive #314) is considered significant since it may indicate personal supervision by top JCP leaders through contact visits to sensitive areas.
   3. Action:
      a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PMS, GS, Tokyo PM, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Hour: 1530
Date: 17 July 1949

SUBJECT: Train Accident at Katsushika-ku, Tokyo.

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
   a. Tokyo CIC Area learned from MPD Liaison Section that at 0837, 17 July 1949, while stopped at Takasago Station, Katsushika-ku, Tokyo-to, on Keisei Line running to Chiba, outbound electric train was hit in rear by another train enroute from Oshiage Station to Kanamachi, Katsushika-ku, Tokyo-to.
   b. Sixteen (16) persons were injured.
2. G-2 Comment: No comment pending further investigation as to cause.
3. Action:
   a. Investigation is being continued by TK/CIC District and further developments will be reported.
   b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PMS, GS, Tokyo PM, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3.

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Hour: 1440
Date: 16 July 1949

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SUBJECT: Possible Sabotage of Railway Train

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to previous Spot Intelligence Report, Subject as above, the last of which was dated 1115 hours, 16 July 49.

b. Latest reports indicate that the train had been standing unoccupied in the car barn for about three hours when it moved out of the car barn headed for MITAKA Station, on the CHUO line. The track on which the train was moving was a dead end track. The first three (3) cars of the seven (7) car train ploughed through the bumper, ran through the station staircase which was crowded with people leaving the station, and continued on to hit several houses and a police box. Known casualties at 1200 hours, 16 July 49 were six (6) dead and eleven (11) injured. It is possible that there are more dead among the wreckage.

c. Investigation discloses that the track on which the train was parked in the barn is not graded and it would be impossible for the train to have rolled out of the barn.

d. Police have secured warrants for two (2) former R. R. employees who had recently been dismissed. One (1) of them appeared on the scene of the accident, almost immediately after it occurred, to make a speech.

2. G-2 Comment: There has been no substantiation of earlier reports that a motorman was on board the train.

3. Action:

a. Any other significant developments will be reported.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff/SCAP and FEC, CTS, Tokyo PM, PMS, GS, G-3, G-2 Eighth Army.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1115
Date: 16 July 1949

SUBJECT: Possible Sabotage of Railway Train

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. At 2124 hours, 15 July 1949, a seven-car electric train at Mitaka Station (on the Chuo line just outside Tokyo city limits) ran through a buffer or siding and three cars went through the wicket, the station, down a flight of stairs, through a police box and a private house. CIC reports five persons killed, nine seriously injured and four slightly injured. The testimony of several eye witnesses indicates that the motorman jumped off the train just before it went through the buffer or siding. The train had been inspected at 1655 hours at which time it appeared to be in good order. There is some evidence that railway employees announced prior to the event that there would be a big accident.

2. G-2 Comment: The fact that the engineer jumped off the train indicates that sabotage probably occurred.

3. Action:

a. CIC is investigating further. Any significant developments will be reportedly promptly.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff/SCAP and FEC, CTS, Tokyo PM, PMS, GS, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Hour: 1000
Date: 16 July 1949

SUBJECT: Anonymous Member of Kokutetsu Threatens Prime Minister's Life

TO : Chief of Staff

The following intercept was received this date from CCD, Fukuoka:

Date of Communication: Undated, but postmarked 9 July 1949, with place of posting illegible on cover.

Type of Communication: Hand-written, anonymous letter.

Language : Japanese

From : Kokutetsu Comrade Society (Government Railway Workers Union), signed by a representative of the Union.

To : YOSHIDA, Shigeru, and OGA (Probably an error for Transportation Minister OYA, Shinzo).

"EVEN IF WE WORKED WE ARE UNABLE TO OBTAIN SUFFICIENT FOOD AND YET WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY TRYING TO CARRY OUT A LARGE SCALE PERSONNEL RETRENCHMENT? DO SO AND YOSHIDA WILL BE BEHEADED. MINISTER OGA IS ALSO IN DANGER. WE WILL BURN YOSHIDA'S HOME TO THE GROUND. WE ARE PREPARED TO DIE SO WE HAVE NO FEAR. WE NUMEROUS COMRADES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY ARE EQUIPPED WITH DYNAMITE. WE ARE TWELVE THOUSAND (12,000) STRONG. THE UNION KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT THIS. THE UNION CURRIES FAVOR WITH THE AUTHORITIES, SO IT IS USELESS. WE ARE DETERMINED TO DIE AFTER ACCOMPLISHING OUR AIM: THUS WE FEAR NOTHING. WE WILL BURN YOSHIDA'S AND OGA'S HOMES. WE MAY NOT BEHEAD THE UNDER MINISTER OR THE BUREAU HEAD, BUT YOSHIDA'S PERMANENT HOME AND HIS MANSION AT ATAMI (SHIZUOKA-KEN, A HOT SPRINGS RESORT) SHALL BOTH BE BURNT. WE WILL ALL DISPERSE OURSELVES AND FULFILL THIS MISSION. THOSE WHO ARE TO BE DISCHARGED MUST LOOK FOR JOBS WITH LITTLE MONEY IN THEIR POCKETS, AND THAT

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Railway Workers Union), signed by a representative of the Union.

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"I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE YOSHIDA'S HEAD AND DISPLAY IT TO THE PEOPLE WHOM HE TORTURED. THE SAME APPLIES TO OGA.

"FOUR OR FIVE THOUSAND OF US WILL COME THERE AT NIGHT AND BURN YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES TO A CINDER AFTER TYING AND TORTURING YOU. IF YOU WANT TO LIVE CANCEL THE RETRENCHMENT PLAN."

The original communication is being forwarded to CCD Headquarters for microfilming.

Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, Tokyo PM, and CIC.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1700
DATE: 15 July 1949

SUBJECT: Arrival of CHIANG Kai-shek

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. A summary of late press reports gives the following information regarding the reported arrival of Generalissimo CHIANG Kai-shek at Canton:

(1) The Generalissimo arrived in Canton 14 July.

(2) CHAING immediately called into session the Supreme Advisory Council of the Nationalist Government, which body has been designated to carry on the civil war against the Communists. (CHIANG was appointed chairman of this body during June - Intell. Summary 2475).

(3) CHIANG conferred briefly with other Nationalist leaders and announced an intention to carry on the war against the Communists with renewed vigor.

2. G-2 Comment/Deductions:

a. This reported action does not come as a surprise, as the recent trend in Chinese politics has been a loss of prestige for LI Tsung-jen and a reemergence of CHIANG as open ruler of Nationalist China.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: JSPOG, G-3, Diplomatic, COMNAVFE and FEAF.

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3. Action:

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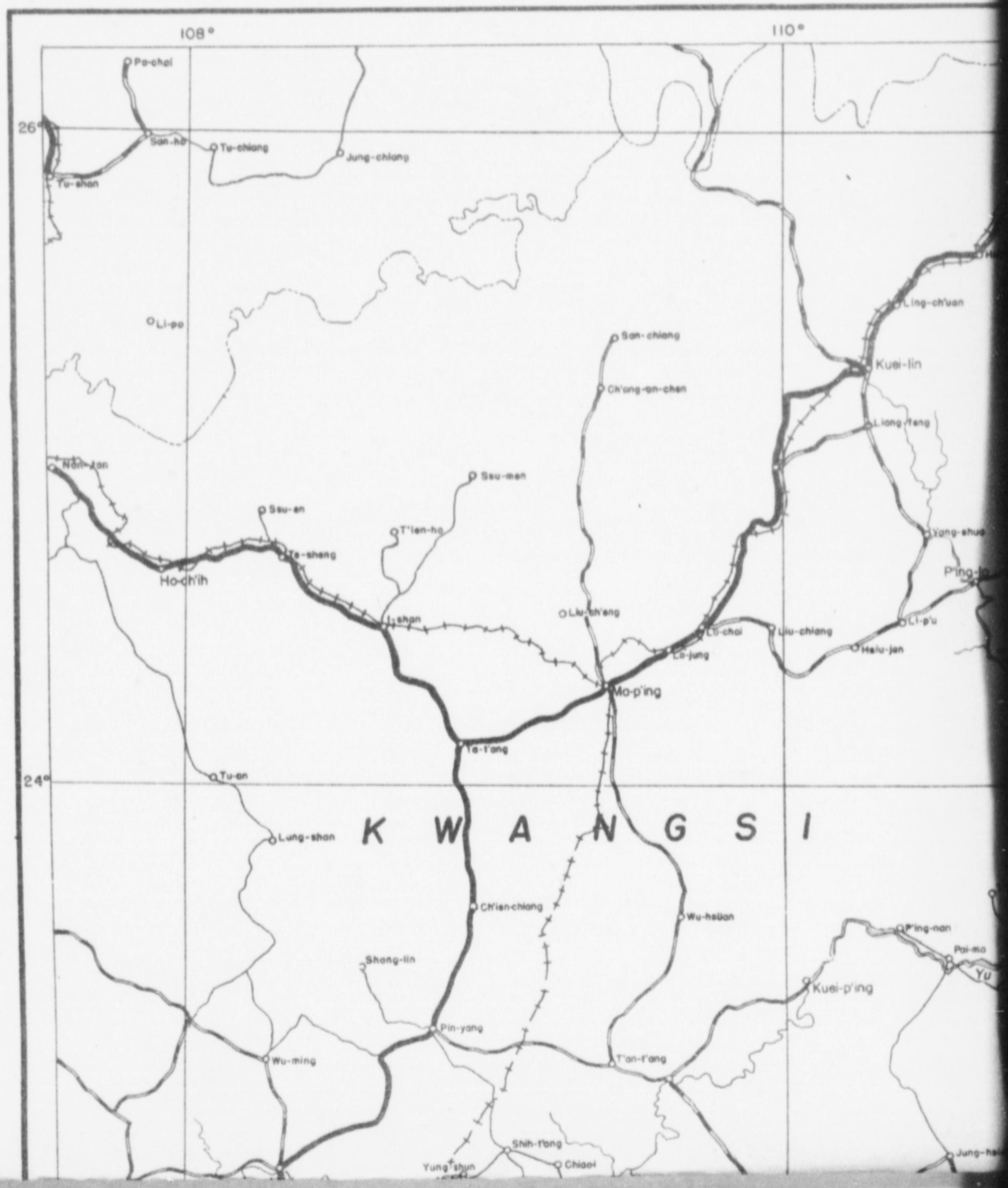

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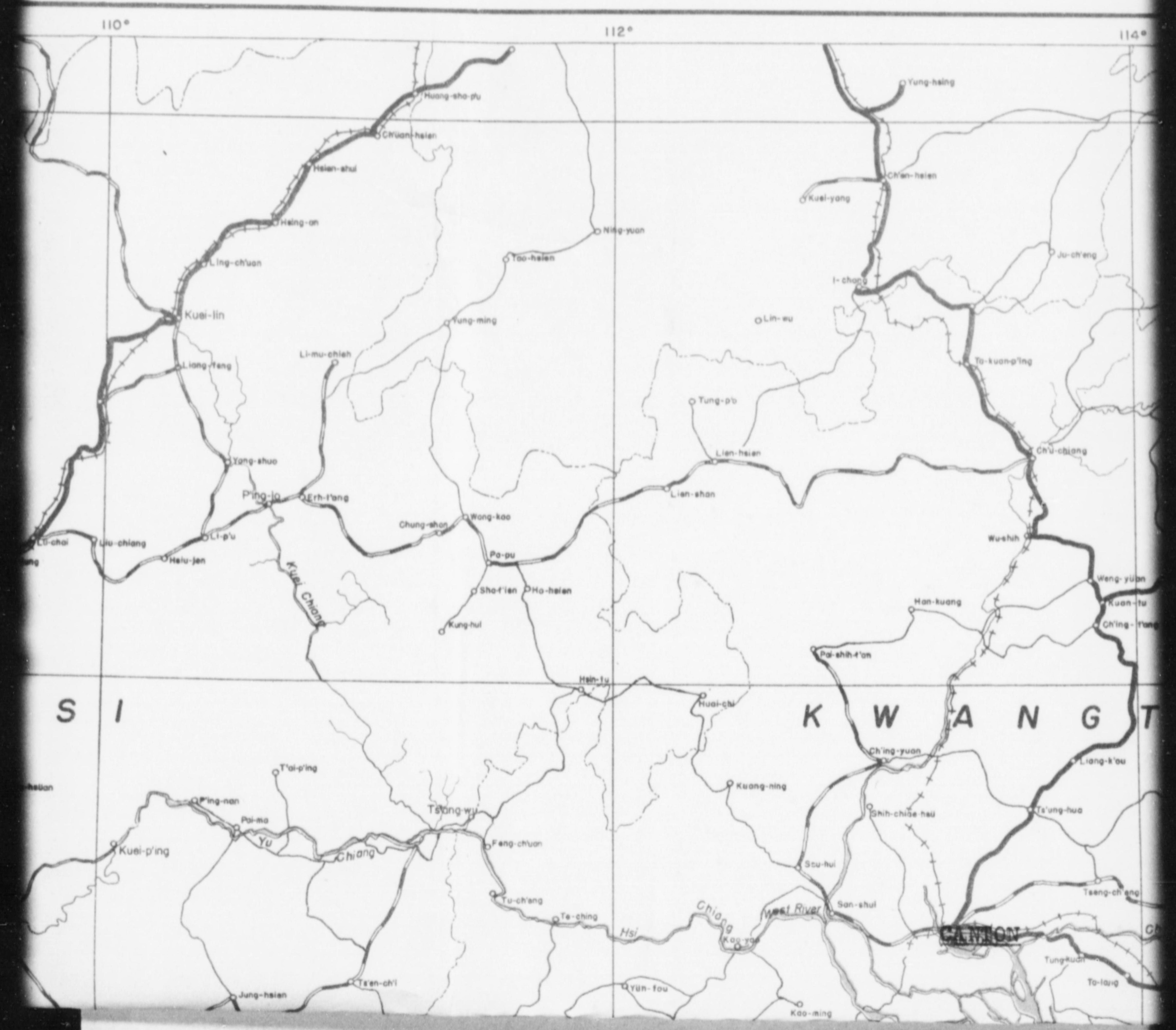

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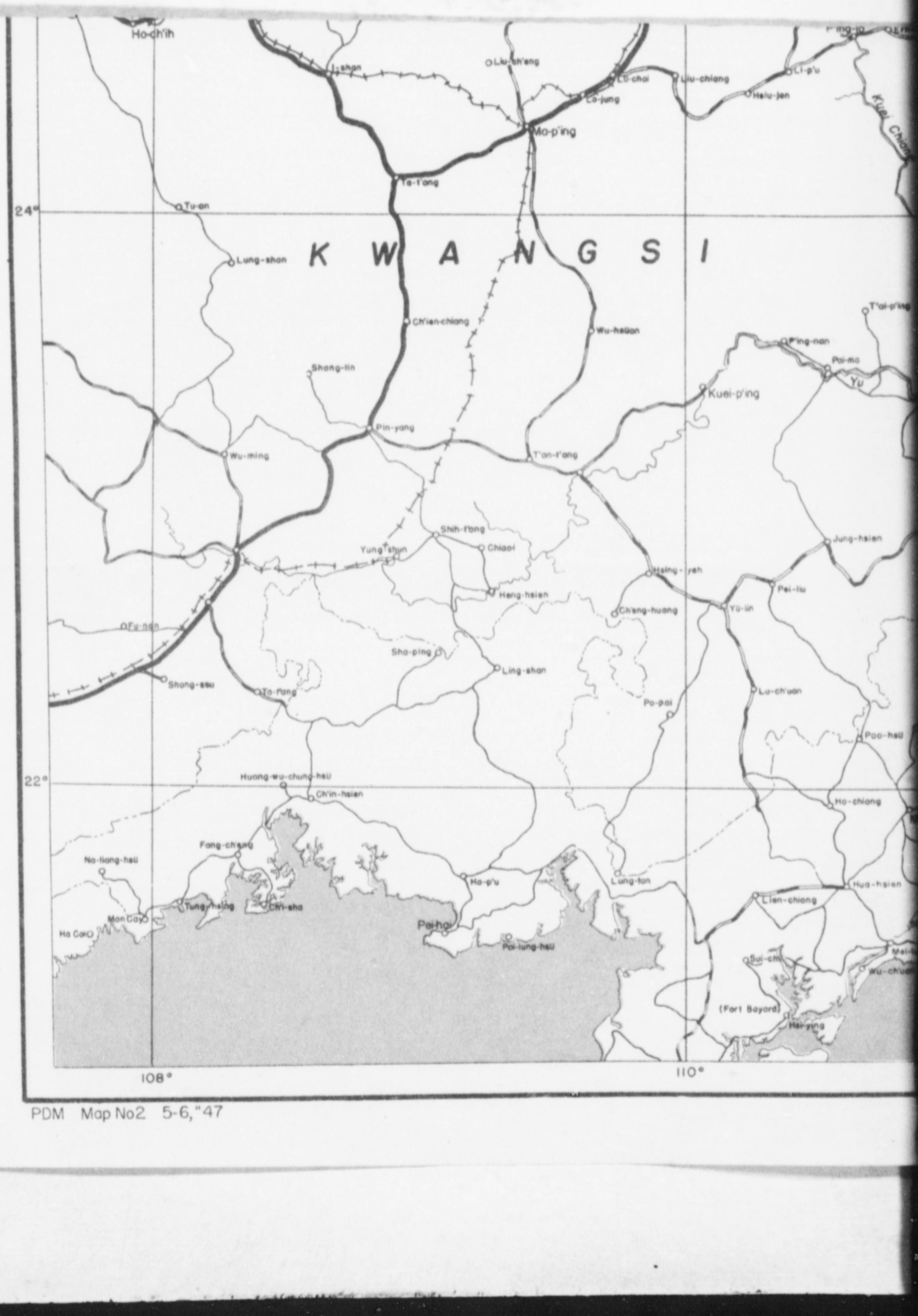

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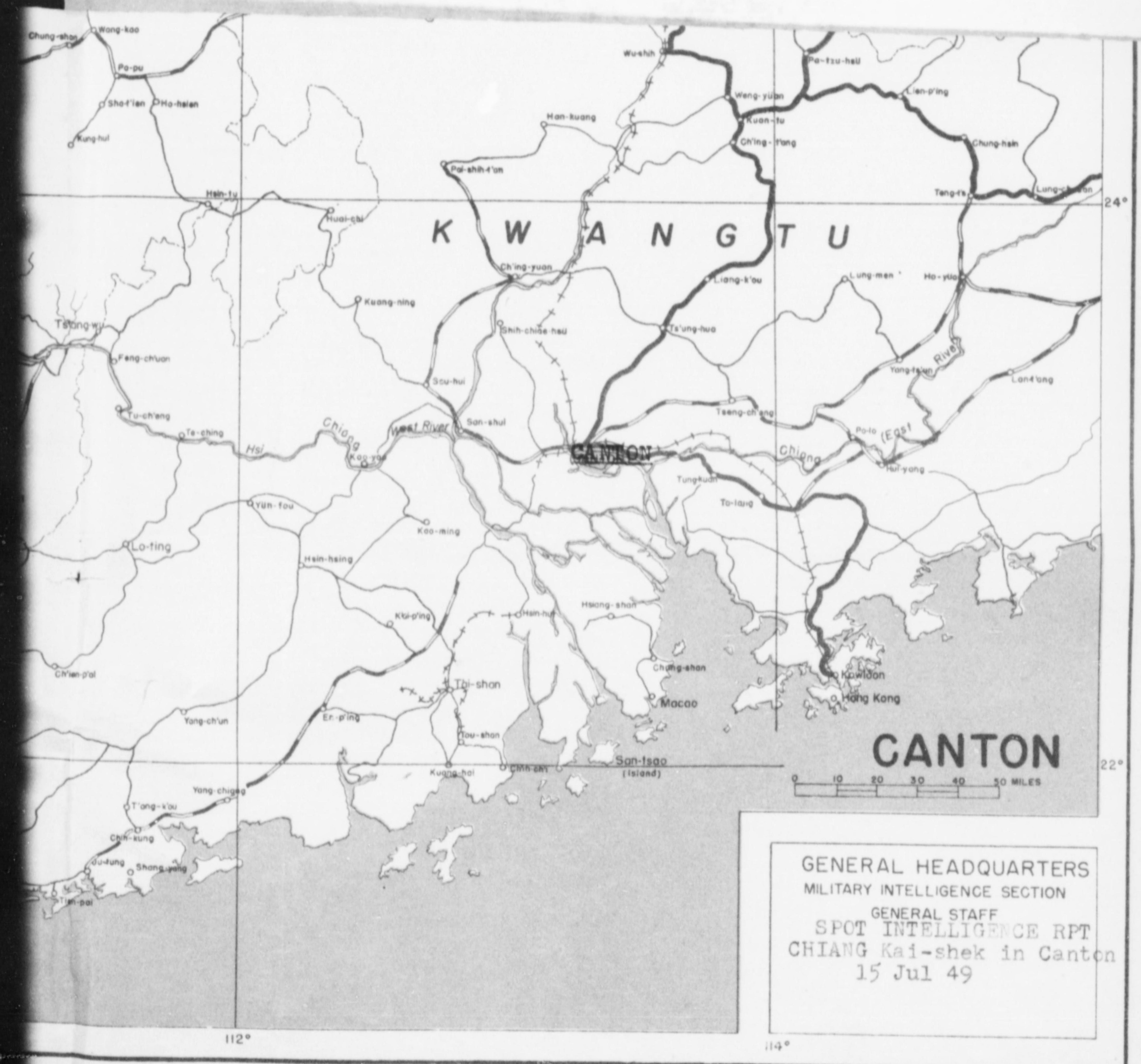

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1610
Date: 14 July 1949

SUBJECT: Kokutetsu Reportedly Ordered to Strike by JCP

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Kyoto CIC area has been informed by a confidential source that all cells in the National Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu) have allegedly been ordered by the JCP Politburo to initiate a strike on 14 or 15 July 1949. CIS has received a report from another confidential source substantiating the existence of a similar rumor in Chiba area.

2. G-2 Comment: This action, if true, may be connected with the commencement by Railway management of a second round of dismissals on 13 July 1949, somewhat earlier than the date of 20 July 1949, which had originally been planned. Strike threat may be a Kokutetsu countermove toward what appears to be a recent stronger attitude on the part of management.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff/SCAP and FEC, PMS, CTS, GS, Tokyo PM, Hq & Sv Gp, G-2 Eighth Army, G-3.

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Hour: 1925
Date: 13 July 49

SUBJECT: Disturbance at Railway Roundhouse, Tokyo

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that at 1145 hours, 13 July 1949, about 100 discharged railway workers, members of National Railway Workers' Union took over management office at Tokyo Roundhouse at Tamachi railway yards, (vicinity Shinagawa Station), Tokyo, broke windows and caused general disorder. Upon arrival of CIC personnel on scene at about 1200 hours, an estimated 50 demonstrators left the building via windows. Demonstrators displayed approximately 50 posters with majority of them stating "Down with Yoshida Cabinet". One poster was observed which stated "Shimoyama was a dog of Yoshida". Several posters were signed by Minato-ku Japan Communist Party.

b. At 1455 hours, workers had left roundhouse area and Japanese police started investigating for responsible parties. Station master said that workers would have to return for their pay and that trouble was expected.

c. At 1535 hours, approximately 100 workers returned to station master's office and took it over but were subsequently driven out by the police. Demonstrators dispersed at 1800 hours.

2. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, DS, CTS, GS, ESS, PMS, Tokyo PM and G-2 Eighth Army.

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Hour: 1655
Date: 11 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railways Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to previous Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, the last of which was dated 1200 hours, 11 July 1949.

b. There have been no definite developments in the case at this time.

c. Certain letters which have commented on the SHIMOYAMA death have been picked up and are being investigated for further leads in the case.

d. Police are checking the train which passed over Shimoyama's body to see if they can discover any of Subject's missing personal items such as cigarette lighter, cigarette holder, cigarette case, Eversharp pen, neck tie clip, and spectacles. It is thought possible that some or parts of these articles may be lodged in the chassis of the engine.

2. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, GS, ESS, G-2, Eighth Army.

3. Until further information of a positive nature develops, this is the last report on this subject that will be submitted on the twice daily schedule.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1200
Date: 11 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA Sadanori, President, State Railways Corporation

TO: Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to previous Spot Intelligence Reports, subject as above, the last of which was dated 1650 hours, 10 July 1949.

b. There have been no new developments in the case at the time.

2. G-2 Comment: The investigation is continuing and the Public Safety Division has advised the Japanese police to investigate certain points which they have heretofore failed to cover adequately.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, GS, ESS, G-2 Eighth Army.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Hour: 1650
Date: 10 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA Sadanori, President, State Railways Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to previous Spot Intelligence Reports, subject as above, with particular reference to paragraph 1d, Spot Intelligence Report dated 1130 hours, 7 July 1949.

b. CIC has learned from a confidential source that the head of the General Affairs Section and the head of the Personnel Section of the Akita Railway sub-division of Kokutetsu have received two anonymous telegrams. These telegrams, sent through the Akita City Post Office, stated that the recipients' lives would be in danger if they carry out the contemplated personnel discharges.

c. Reports from the National Rural Police and reports based on personal observation by CIC in various Prefectures, list a total of eight (8) incidents of apparent sabotage to the Railway system. These include rocks placed on the tracks, air-brakes disconnected, and cross-ties removed. All took place on 8 and 9 July.

2. G-2 Comment:

Developments mentioned in paragraphs 1b and 1c above indicate a continuance of coordinated action, probably Communist-inspired, designed to prevent execution of the personnel reduction policy as applied to the railways.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and notify local tactical units concerned.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Hour: 0955
Date: 10 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

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TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to previous Spot Intelligence Reports, subject as above, the last of which was dated 1800 hours, 9 July 1949.

b. There have been no firm developments in the case overnight. Police are still exploiting clues reported earlier.

2. Press reports about "mysterious telephone calls" are regarded by investigative authorities as journalistic license in the newspapers' attempts to satisfy reader curiosity without any real new developments to write about. Analysis of the articles brings out heavy dependence upon "hypothesis" and "inference."

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

CAW/RSB/JL/ckw

Hour: 1800
Date: 9 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 0945 hours, 9 July 49.

b. CIC reports that Kyobashi Police discovered automobile allegedly used by plotters in the vicinity of Fukagawa area at approximately 1000 hours, 8 July 49. (See Spot Intelligence Report dtd 0945, 9 Jul 49) Automobile was returned to Korean League after being checked for fingerprints. Results of this check are not yet known.

c. Police reports say that footprints which resemble those of SHIMOYAMA were found in vicinity of Mitsukoshi Department Store and area in vicinity of Suehiro Hotel, Adachi-ku, where it is said victim spent several hours before he met his death.

2. G-2 Comment:

There have been no outstanding developments in the investigation. Reference Spot Intelligence Reports dated 0945, 9 July; 1700, 8 July and 1130, 7 July. Medical authorities claim to be able to prove that SHIMOYAMA died of shock following a brutal beating, and that he had been dead for at least three hours before his body was run over by the freight train.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, PSD, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 0945
Date: 9 July 1949

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SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject: same as above, dated 1700 hours, 8 July 1949.

b. CIC reports that the Metropolitan Police Department is investigating the SHIMOYAMA case on possibilities of both murder and suicide.

c. Further information as revealed by the autopsy indicates that there was some amount of sleeping powder found in the body.

d. It is reported that Anti-Communist faction of the National Railway Workers' Union is helping police investigation in any way they can.

e. Kyodo News report states that an automobile belonging to Headquarters League of Koreans Residing in Japan was stolen from in front of Mitsukoshi Department Store at 0900 - 0950 hours, 5 July 1949 (about the time Shimoyama disappeared). This car has not been recovered.

2. G-2 Comment: There have been no outstanding developments in the investigation of Shimoyama's death. However, the police are intensifying their investigation.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, PSD, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1700
Date: 8 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1000 hrs, 8 July 49.
b. Police report that there have been no outstanding developments in their investigation of SHIMOYAMA's death.
c. Police, however, are intensifying their investigation at the Mitsukoshi Dept Store and the place where the body of SHIMOYAMA was found. Also, investigation was conducted at Suehiro Yokan Hotel, Tokyo, where it is claimed a person who looked like SHIMOYAMA went at 1730 hrs, 5 July, and asked for a room for the night.
d. The chauffeur has been released to his quarters at the National Railway dormitory, Tsukiji, Tokyo.
e. SHICHIKO Agiya, a Doctor of Medicine at the Tokyo University, reported this afternoon that the victim must have met death about three hours prior to the time the body was first discovered.

2. Action:
a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, GS, ESS, CPM, CTS, G-2 Eighth Army, A-2 FEAF, PSD.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1600
Date: 8 July 1949

SUBJECT: JCP Poster Claims "Slaughter" of Repatriates

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that the JCP are posting handbills and similar posters at various points in Kobe-shi; Hyogo-ken.

b. A gist of one poster, headed "Repatriates Slaughtered" is as follows: (1) The Yoshida Cabinet which is welcoming repatriates with pistols and clubs has slaughtered and injured 600 repatriates and citizens in Kyoto; (2) citizens and laborers were vigorously attacked; (3) action taken by police is not welcome and we the citizens are now sure who to blame and who our allies are.

c. Another handbill claims "Brutality towards repatriates", is said to have been distributed by Tarumi Cell Group Committee of JCP. This handbill is quoted in part as follows: "That is the true picture of the Yoshida Cabinet. The Yoshida Cabinet is afraid that the repatriates' announcement about the Soviet Union will expose the cabinet discharge policy of 95,000 National Railway Workers. The cabinet, in order to forestall the people's responses to it, has tried to make use of Fascistic organization. The Yoshida Cabinet, in finding that it cannot deceive the movement of love, has made use of armed police revealing its true character as fascist. Why is that fact not published? Do you know how newspapers and radio are serving the interest of the reactionary? Citizens, let us overthrow the fascistic Yoshida Cabinet. Defend our people's country. Let us be united with our National Railway brothers who have stood up for the defense of National Railways. The Japan Communist Party takes the lead in the struggle. 6 July 1949." Signed: JCP Tarumi Cell Group Committee.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. This bold publicity and open defiance of government authority in the matter of handbills and posters illustrates the basic Communist strategy of making use of every pretext, in this case repatriation, to stir up public unrest and opposition against the government.

b. CIC has procured samples of the posters and handbills distributed and is forwarding them by courier.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, G-2 Eighth Army, A-2 FEAF, CPM, CTS, ESS, GS, PSD.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1000
Date: 8 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject: same as above, dated 1655 hours, 7 July 1949.

b. Police report that there have been no outstanding developments in their investigation of SHIMOYAMA's death.

c. A special section has been set up in the Metropolitan Police Department Headquarters to handle the investigation.

d. The investigation thus far has failed to disclose the motive or suspects. The police report they do have several "leads", but as yet have made no arrests.

e. Following wide-spread publicity, the usual crops of unconfirmed, "I saw him", reports are being checked. The following are some of the reports which have appeared in the Japanese press: (1) A man has been found who says he saw three men carrying a heavy object late on the night of 5 July 1949 near the place where Shimoyama's body was found; (2) Another alleged witness says he saw Shimoyama walking with three men near Mitsukoshi Department Store on the morning of 5 July 1949; (3) A heavy spanner (wrench), about 1' in length, has been found near the scene, but there are no marks on it; (4) The proprietress of a small hotel in SENJU, not far from the spot where Shimoyama's body was found, reports that a man who "undoubtedly was Shimoyama", visited her establishment on the afternoon of 5 July 1949.

2. G-2 Comment: The Japanese police consider the Shimoyama affair to be the most important incident in the Occupation and are determined to solve the case.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, GS, ESS, CPM, CTS, G-2 Eighth Army, A-2 FEAF, PSD.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1655
Date: 7 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1130 hours, 7 July 1949.

b. Investigation is continuing, however there has been no significant developments in the case of SHIMOYAMA.

c. The chauffeur has been thoroughly interrogated and the facts indicated in the investigation checks with his story.

d. CIC reports that the funeral is scheduled to be held at 1300, 9 July 1949, at SEISHOGI Temple in SHIBA, MINATO-Ku.

2. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, PSD, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1400
Date: 7 July 1949

SUBJECT: Mining Company Officials Kidnapped During Demonstration

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that during a demonstration on 6 July by members of Japan Federation of Coal Miners' Union (TANRO) three officials of Takahagi Coal Mine Company were kidnapped and taken to Tanro Headquarters in Takahagi (located in Ibaraki Prefecture, about ten miles north of Mito, on the coast).

b. The officials kidnapped were OJIMA Shushi, manager of the Sekiguchi Mine, YANAGISAWA Ryosuke, a company official, and TAKAO Shigenobu, president of the company.

c. After the police had made three separate requests that the Union free the company officials, they stated that it would be necessary to use force if the officials were not released. The Union replied that, if the police used force, they would be met with force and accordingly sent out messengers to gather a crowd.

d. At 2000 hrs, the Provost Sergeant of Ibaraki Civil Affairs Team talked with the company officials at Tanro Headquarters after which the Sergeant escorted the officials to his jeep. The demonstrators prevented the Sergeant's departure with the officials until the CO and two other officers of the Civil Affairs Team arrived at the scene. The demonstrators then dispersed at 2030 hrs, and the company officials were taken to Takahagi police station.

e. About 250 demonstrators reassembled around Tanro Headquarters and began singing "Akahata" and other Leftist songs, ignoring police orders to disperse. At 2100 hrs, police moved in to disperse the crowd which then broke up into small groups of 25 to 30 persons who proceeded to block the streets, not allowing Occupation Forces' vehicles to pass.

f. The police succeeded in dispersing the demonstrators at around 2330 hrs.

g. During the incident, 18 demonstrators, including ONODARA Akira, (Union official and known member of the JCP) were arrested. Prisoners were moved to Mito Prison to avoid attempts to free them.

h. CIC reported that 2,500 persons were assembled in Takahagi City at 1100 hrs, today, demanding release of the prisoners, and that 1,500 police were in that area.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. The situation in and around Takahagi remains tense and there is a possibility that a clash between the demonstrators and the police may occur at any time.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe and will report any further developments of consequence.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, GS, CPM, G-2 Eighth Army, ESS, NRS, A-2 FEAF, CTS, PSD.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1440
Date: 7 July 1949

SUBJECT: Union Warns SHIMOYAMA's Successor

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject: "Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President State Railway Corporation", dated 1130 hours, 7 July 1949.

b. A usually reliable source reports that KAGAYAMA, Yukio, President of the State Railway Corporation, succeeding SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, was handed the following warning this morning by representatives of the Government Railway Workers' Union: "Unless negotiations concerning the dismissal of our workers are reopened immediately, something will happen."

c. Although the above information has been received from several sources, it is as yet unconfirmed and is now being checked.

2. G-2 Comment: The police are working all-out on the SHIMOYAMA case in an effort to solve it. At this time there have been no significant developments.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, CTS, PM, G-2 Eighth Army, PSD, GS, ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1130
Date: 7 July 1949

SUBJECT: Murder of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, President, State Railway Corporation

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject, "Disappearance of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori", dated 1100 hrs, 6 July 49.

b. At 1700 hrs, 6 July 49, Metropolitan Police Headquarters issued a statement indicating that, in the opinion of the authorities, SHIMOYAMA had been murdered. This opinion was based on a lengthy autopsy which developed the following points:

(1) There was nothing in his stomach.
(2) There are no signs of his glasses, without which he would not attempt to walk.
(3) All indications point to the fact that he had been dead for some time before he was run over by the train.

c. The chauffeur, still in protective custody, states that SHIMOYAMA went to the Chiyoda Bank before going to Mitsukoshi Department Store early in the morning. This has been confirmed, but Subject's safety deposit box contains no will, or anything which could conceivably be connected with his death.

d. Police have released a threatening letter, signed "Repatriates' Blood League", received 4 July by Premier YOSHIDA, which states "Premier YOSHIDA, all Cabinet Members, President SHIMOYAMA and Vice-President KAGAYAMA of the National Railways, and Superintendent TANAKA, shall be assassinated."

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Police are working all-out on the case, considered the most important in recent years. Since a number of people would seem to have been involved in the alleged murder, important clues are expected shortly.

3. Action:

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Hour: 1100
Date: 6 July 1949

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SUBJECT: Disappearance of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject: "Disappearance of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori", dated 1620 hours, 5 July 1949.

b. Shortly after 0100 hours, the mangled and partially dismembered body of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, was discovered near a railway bridge on the JOBAN Line near the small station of Ayase north of UENO.

c. Members of the National Railway Corporation identified the body about 0300 hours by means of a railway pass, a name card, and other papers on the body.

d. According to his chauffeur, Mr. SHIMOYAMA was last seen entering the MITSUKOSHI Department store about 0945 hours, 5 July 1949, at which time the chauffeur was instructed to wait. The chauffeur is being interrogated by the Japanese police.

e. Preliminary investigations indicate that SHIMOYAMA had been run over by a train, but whether he was dead at the time has not yet been determined.

2. G-2 Comment: Mr. SHIMOYAMA is alleged to have been threatened on numerous occasions in the last few days by members of the National Railway Workers Union because of the impending dismissal of a large number of railway employees.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; CTS, PM; G-2, Eighth Army; PSD, GS; ESS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1730 [illegible]
Date: 5 July 1949

SUBJECT: Possible Reaction to Railway Workers' Discharges

: Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1530 hours, 4 July 1949.

b. In accordance with previously formulated plans, railroad management, on 4 July 1949, began issuance of official notifications of dismissal to a preliminary group of railroad workers numbering about 30,000 throughout Japan.

c. At a meeting on the night of 3 July 1949, National Railway Union Workers officials decided upon the strategy of having their affected workers refuse to accept the dismissal notifications. Such refusals have already taken place in various localities.

d. CIC reports from various areas indicate minor disturbances as a result of the receipt of dismissal notifications. In Aomori, Fukushima and Morioka, relatively small groups of demonstrators numbering a few hundred each assembled on 4 July 1949, to protest discharges. Each of the three groups concluded their demonstrations without violence, the Fukushima group being dispersed in an orderly manner by members of the National Rural Police.

e. Shimbashi (Tokyo), Osaka and Sapporo Divisions of the railways have delayed their issuance of dismissal notifications for a day or two. Shimbashi officials, aware that union workers had declared they would not accept the notifications, decided to send the notifications by registered mail, causing a day's delay in delivery. Osaka officials postponed issuance of dismissal notifications until the termination of the complications caused by repatriate movements in the Kansai area.

2. G-2 Comment:

As expected, actual issuance of dismissal notifications has begun to cause disturbances throughout the country. So far no real violence has taken place, and such obstructive tactics as have occurred have been kept under control by local authorities. Full impact of National Railway Workers' Union reaction to the dismissals will not be seen until delayed issuance of notifications has been completed. Potential threat of sporadic, or even nation-wide, violence remains, as does the question of whether a larger-scale protest can be controlled by local police forces.

3. Action:

a. The following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; CTS; PM; G-2, Eighth Army; PSD; GS; ESS; G-3; G-4; FEAF; COMNAVFE.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1620
Date: 5 July 1949

SUBJECT: Disappearance of SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
   a. G-2 has learned from a reliable source that SHIMOYAMA, Sadanori, president of the Japanese National Railways disappeared early this morning.
   b. Mr. Shimoyama left his home in Denen CHOFU around 0830 hours, enroute to his office in Tokyo but has not been accounted for since. He was in a 1941 Buick Sedan, Licence Number 41173.
2. G-2 Comment:
   a. It is possible that Mr. Shimoyama has been kidnapped as he repeatedly had been threatened by employees opposing mass dismissal of workers under the government's retrenchment program.
   b. Japanese police are informed and are making every effort to locate Mr. Shimoyama.
3. Action:
   a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; CTS, PM; G-2, Eighth Army; PSD; GS.

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Hour: 1530
Date: 4 July 1949

SUBJECT: Possible Reaction to Railway Workers' Discharges

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1600, 3 July 1949.

b. According to Tokyo CIC reports, a series of "wildcat strikes" are expected to be begun among locals of the National Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu) as soon as announcement is made of the break in negotiations between the union and the government which occurred 3 July 1949. Critical period of strike tactics 4 - 8 July 1949.

c. Strike tactics are considered imminent within locals of the following sections of the Tokyo Railway Division:

(1) Shimbashi Sub-division
(2) Hachioji Sub-division (at Nakano and Mitaka stations)
(3) Higashi-Kanagawa Electric Train Section (between Akabane and Sakuragicho)
(4) Shimojujo Electric Train Section (between Omiya and Tsurumi on Keihin Line)
(5) Mitaka Electric Train Section (Tokyo to Asakawa)
(6) Nakano Electric Train Section (Mitaka to Tsudanuma)
(7) Ikebukuro Electric Train Section (Yamate Line)
(8) Tamachi Electric Train Section (Tokyo to Yokosuka)
(9) Shinagawa Electric Train Section (Yamate Line)
(10) Kamata Electric Train Section (Shimojujo to Sakurajicho)

d. All Japan Electrical Industry Workers' Union (Densan) and All Japan Communications Workers' Union (Zentai) have received directives from their respective headquarters giving them permission to strike if Kokutetsu does.

e. Source of above information believes that Kokutetsu will not issue a strike directive but that local wildcat strikes will spread horizontally, directed by JCP.

2. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and report all disorders and other reactions.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, ESS, CPM, CTS, PSD, G-3 Eighth Army, GS, G-3, G-4, FEAF, COMNAVFE.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE — CAW/RSB/GDW/kk

Hour: 1600
Date: 3 July 1949

SUBJECT: Possible Reaction to Railway Workers' Discharges

T[illegible] : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1145, 2 July 1949.

b. Tokyo CIC and Civil Transportation Section report that National Railway officials and Railway Workers Union representatives conferred on 1 July 1949, at which management explained the necessity for dismissals. Union representatives, at another meeting on 2 July, requested that dismissals be deferred pending collective bargaining, which management could not grant. The meeting broke up at 1640 hours, and the dismissal action is expected to go forward 4 July. As of 1330 hours, 3 July, union officials were in session and no strike notice had been issued although a general strike is still considered imminent.

c. CIC reports from various parts of Japan indicate that demonstrations against dismissal have already been carried out although names of those to be dismissed are not yet published. Further demonstrations are expected as soon as the names are published. In addition to railroad workers, members of the JCP, League of Koreans Residing in Japan, and leftist unions have joined the demonstrations, which so far have been without incident.

d. Isolated cases of attempted sabotage have been reported involving primarily tampering with signals and controls. However, local railroad officials expect increased sabotage attempts by dismissed workers and have notified local police in an effort to protect passengers and property.

e. A detachment of National Rural Police from Sendai reportedly was held up when it attempted to answer a call for assistance from Fukushima. When police arrived at the station, members of Kokutetsu and JCP tried to delay their boarding, later locking the car and when police forced entrance, attempted to start train before police had completely boarded. Group then stoned train as it left the station.

2. G-2 Comment: Sporadic sabotage and demonstrations appear to be locally inspired, although there are indications of more widespread and coordinated action when the dismissals take place on 4 July. A general strike in opposition to dismissals, largely of trouble-makers, is expected momentarily.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and report all disorders and other reactions.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, ESS, CPM, CTS, PSD, G-2, Eighth Army, GS, G-3, G-4, FEAF, COMNAVFE.

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SUBJECT: Repatriates Meet At Soviet Mission

HOUR: 1530
DATE: 3 July 1949

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report dated 1750 hours, 2 July 1949, subject as above, of a meeting held in front of the Communications Ministry opposite the Soviet Mission, 2 July 1949, at approximately 1420 hours.

b. Tokyo CIC reports that the group of repatriates who participated in the meeting referred to above, arrived in Tokyo at Ueno Station. Upon arrival, the repatriates were divided into several groups: one group led by SASAKI Minoru, Japanese, probable member of JCP, was designated to visit the Russian Embassy.

c. SASAKI's group went from Ueno Station to Hamamatsu Station and proceeded to National Congress of Industrial Union Building where they were greeted by singing and shouting. Group joined in demonstration, remaining about five minutes, then proceeded down 15th Street to Ave. "A", turned left to Shiba Park where they were again greeted.

d. From Shiba Park, group went by Zentei headquarters, passed Navy Club Billet, to intersection of Ave. "B" and 15th Street and the Russian Embassy. Group arrived at Russian Embassy at approximately 1400 hours and entered the Embassy grounds. Fifty repatriates were invited into Embassy proper and were greeted by three Russian representatives, headed by Povarich who represented Lt. General Derevyanko. Povarich gave a brief address, stating in substance: "Gentlemen, through strength of the great Communistic nation, Soviet Union, you were able to return home. Gentlemen, return to your various homeplaces and strive industriously."

e. Following address by Povarich, SASAKI thanked Soviet representatives for all they and the Soviet Union had done for them.

f. About 1415 hours, repatriates left Embassy, crossed the street and gathered in front of Communications Ministry Building, where SASAKI gave another brief address, stating in substance: "We are all looked upon as followers of democratic Soviet Union. Let us do our utmost in cooperation."

g. After SASAKI's address, repatriates were served refreshments. Repatriates then scattered out, each with ten to fifteen persons to hear their experiences and condition of the Soviet Union. Some of the repatriates were heard to say that the Soviet Union was an ideal place and that they had all been well treated and well fed. Much of the discussion was prompted by non-repatriates wearing red arm bands.

h. After discussion period, repatriates boarded two trucks, provided by Zentei, and proceeded in direction of Yoyogi.

2. G-2 Comment: Four attached photographs taken inside Soviet Embassy (original copy only) confirms unusual overt interest of the Soviet Mission in aligning repatriates with the JCP.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP AND FEC, GS, PSD, DS and G-3.

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Repatriate Group proceeding into grounds of Russian Embassy, preceded by Communists, Youth Communists, and Communist labor union members. 2 July 1949. (Persons unidentified)

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Repatriate Group being greeted by Russian representatives inside the Russian Embassy. Povarich (fnu)(Russian)(phonetic) on the right of group of Russians..Others unknown. 2 July 1949.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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Hour: 1500
Date: 3 July 1949

SUBJECT: Activities of Repatriates in Tokyo

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Tokyo CIC reports that repatriate train from Maizuru arrived at Shinagawa Station at 1047 hours, 2 July. Approximately 20 repatriates debarked without incident. An estimated 50 Communists were among the crowd of 1,000 spectators; six red flags were displayed by the group.

b. About 50 or 60 repatriates debarked at Tokyo Station at 1101. Although no posters were seen on walls of the station, spectators displayed red flags and handkerchiefs. After debarkation, orderly demonstration was conducted within Tokyo Station.

c. Repatriates reportedly were told not to take Aomori bound repatriate train from Ueno Station at 1315, JCP telling repatriates that they were free to do as they pleased and to take later train.

d. When train carrying 516 repatriates arrived in Ueno Station at 1230, 82 departed for their homes soon after arrival, while 200 repatriates demonstrated with 300 spectators. The JCP, National Railway Workers' Union, and the League of Koreans Residing in Japan were represented. Approximately 200 repatriates assembled at 1220 at the Taito Ward Office to attend a meeting sponsored by the All Japan Federation of Private Railway Workers Union.

e. At 1320, 34 repatriates departed Ueno Station for the Ginza, reportedly to assemble at the Education Hall. At 1355, 180 repatriates reported to JCP headquarters in Yoyogi; another 20 arrived at 1500 and 32 more at 1515.

f. Group was addressed by Tokuda Kyuichi, Kin Tin Kei and Konno Yujiro before they left JCP headquarters for Ueno at 1700.

g. Group returned to Ueno Station about 1800, 2 July, where approximately 50 JCP members were present to see them off.

2. G-2 Comment: Information on meeting at Soviet Embassy submitted in previous Spot Intelligence, "Repatriates Meet at Soviet Embassy," dated 1330 hours, 3 July 1949.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe repatriates' trains arriving in or passing through Tokyo.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, PSD, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1750
DATE: 2 July 1949

SUBJECT: Repatriates Meet At Soviet Mission

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. On the basis of a preliminary telephone report from 441st CIC, the following information on a meeting of repatriates and local JCP members near the Soviet Mission is submitted:

b. Tokyo CIC reports that a meeting was held in front of the Communications Ministry opposite the Soviet Mission on 2 July 1949, from 1400 to approximately 1420 hours. Thirty-nine (39) repatriates and fifty (50) Japan Communist Party members, carrying ten (10) placards, arrived at the Communications Ministry in two 2½-ton trucks bearing the USSR emblem. After leaving the trucks, cakes and ice cream were distributed at the meeting.

c. A representative of the repatriates thanked the Soviet Mission for kind treatment received by the repatriates during their imprisonment. This speech was followed by speeches by a JCP speaker from Miyamoto Ward and a representative of the labor union of the Communications Ministry. The group then sang the "Internationale".

d. The group reboarded the trucks at approximately 1420 hours and headed toward B Avenue on 15th Street.

e. Names of the speakers are not known.

2. G-2 Comment: The first reported use of USSR trucks indicates the overt interest of the Soviet Mission in aligning repatriates with the JCP.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, GS, PSD, DS and G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1145
Date: 2 July 1949

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SUBJECT: Possible Reaction to Railway Workers Discharges

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 2000 hours, 1 July 49.

b. Tokyo CIC Area reports that at a 23 Jun 49 central conference of the JCP fraction within the National Railway Workers' Union it was disclosed that preparations for union strategy against government discharge program had been completed as follows: (1) Union Locals of 13 electric train car districts in metropolitan Tokyo are ready to launch general stoppage of train service on short notice, which would be the equivalent of a general strike. (2) Ship traffic between Aomori and Hakodate, and between Ube and Takamatsu, can be cut off at a moment's notice, thus severing connection between Honshu, Hokkaido and Shikoku.

c. Tokyo CIC area reports that a pre-strike strategy of National Railway Workers' Union will be a three-phase strategy: (1) 1st Phase: Workshop Control - all normal and official functions of railways to be conducted under union supervision. (2) 2nd Phase: Literal conformances to struggle regulations - that is, an over-scrupulous and exact obedience to railway working and safety regulations which would greatly delay movement of rail traffic. (3) 3rd Phase: Mass resignations.

This three-phase strategy will or will not be used in its entirety, according to communist strength in various areas. For instance, initiating action, upon receipt of "go" signal, will be 3rd Phase resignations in Osaka and Nagoya. Tokyo (Yamate Line), Hokkaido, Shikoku and Kanazawa areas are ready for direct strike with no three-phase preliminaries.

d. National Railway Workers' Union is expected to launch its strike actions when government authorities announce first list of names of discharges, probably on or about 4 or 5 July. Nationwide or local character of union action will be dependent on whether government announces discharge list in toto or in staggered form according to regions.

e. All-Japan Communications Workers' Union is unconfirmedly reported to be ready to offer full support to the National Railway Workers' Union, including priority of communication facilities for strike purposes. This presumably to include constant liaison with JCP Headquarters.

f. TOKUDA Kyuichi and ITO Ritsu of JCP Central Committee are reported unconfirmedly to be "field commanders" of the National Railway Workers' Union struggle.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. 2 to 3 July is ostensibly the period in which the National Railway Workers' Union is entitled to state its views on the government dismissal plan. This two-day period also affords the Union time to consolidate strike tactics which it would consider necessary if the government plan remains unchanged.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and report all disorders and other reactions.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CPM; PSD; G-2 Eighth Army; G-3; G-4; FEAF; ComNavFE; and DS; CTS.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

CAW/RSB/LGS/akb

Hour: 2000
Date: 1 July 1949

SUBJECT: Possible Reaction to Railway Workers Discharges

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. A reliable source in Tokyo reports that disorders are expected in the reaction to announcements by National Railways on 4 July 1949 of the first group of National Railway discharges under the personnel curtailment program. First discharges will include National Railway Headquarters employees and unfaithful, undesirable employees. A second group of discharges will start soon after with completion scheduled by end of July.

b. Fukushima CIC reports that demonstrations and more destructive tactics are expected in Fukushima Prefecture as a reaction to Railway employees discharges in that prefecture. The scope and members of discharges was announced 1 July 1949 and names will be told later.

c. Aomori CIC reports that on 30 June 1949 approximately 200 persons demonstrated against the announced mass dismissal of railway employees. The mob surrounded Aomori City station and demanded to see the station master.

d. Okayama CIC reports that disorders are anticipated in Okayama, Prefecture upon announcement of names of employees who will be discharged by National Railways.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. There is an imminent possibility that announcements of Railway worker discharges will touch off a series of demonstrations, acts of violence and disorders and strikes. The recent announcement of the National Railway Workers Union that they would resort to strikes indicates a likelihood that discharge announcements may spark strikes by Railway employees.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and report all disorders and other reactions.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CPM; PSD; G-2 Eighth Army; G-3; G-4; FEAF; COMNAVFE; DS.

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CAW/LJF/11h

SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1430
Date: 27 June 1949

SUBJECT: Preliminary Reports on First 1949 Repatriates from Russia

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. A number of telephone reports have been received from Maizuru, where the "Takasago Maru", first ship to bring Japanese repatriates from Russia, arrived early this morning.

b. A reporter for Kyodo News Agency, himself a repatriate last year, succeeded in contacting two former associates in the group, and got out the first news story. According to this story, all of the 2,000 Japanese aboard the ship have taken an oath to join the Communist Party of Japan; they claim that this oath was taken voluntarily, and that all of the 95,000 Japanese to be repatriated this year have taken this oath.

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2. Action:

a. None.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1800
DATE: 26 June 1949

SUBJECT: Assassination of KIM Koo, Korean Leader

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. KMAG Liaison Team reports that KIM Koo, one of Korea's three "elder statesmen" and head of the Korea Independence Party, was assassinated at his home in Seoul by a Lieutenant of the Korean Army at 1130 hours, 26 June 1949.

b. KIM was shot three times by 2nd Lt. AHN Tuhe with a .45 cal pistol.

c. The assassin is under arrest and confined by the Provost Marshal, Korean Army, Seoul.

d. No outbreaks among population reported, but situation described as "tense".

2. G-2 Comment: KIM Koo, an almost legendary Korean hero, was a political "middle-of-the-roader". He disagreed with President RHEE Syngman on basic political ideologies, although both were strongly anti-Communist. KIM was a leading proponent of unification, while RHEE advocated formation of a South Korean Republic. RHEE, KIM Koo and KIM Ku Sic were regarded as the three outstanding leaders in the fight for Korean independence since the formation of the Korean Provisional Government in 1919. KIM Koo and KIM Ku Sic traveled to Pyongyang, N. Korea in April 1948, to attempt unification with North Korean Peoples' Republic. KIM Koo has been financially supported by the Chinese Kuomintang for the past 30 years.

3. Action:

a. KMAG Liaison Team continues to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; G-2, Eighth Army; G-3; DS; ComNavFE; FEAF.

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HOUR: 1330
DATE: 22 June 1949

SUBJECT: Attack on British Vessel in Chinese Waters

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference Guam Radio 210121Z (AG No. 82817) which relays information received from the USS "Cossatot", a naval tanker, now off Sangley Point, Luzon. The "Cossatot" reported that it had intercepted a message from a British Victory ship in the Yangtze River which stated that the ship had been taken under attack, had been hit, and that the ship's Master was beaching it. The message indicated that the ship carried a registry number of Victory No. 74.

b. Supplementary information from COMNAVFE indicates that British Victory No. 74 is a merchant ship in the 9,000 ton class; that the attack was a bombing attack inflicting 71 casualties and damage sufficient to cause the ship to be in danger of sinking.

2. G-2 Comment/Deductions:

a. It is possible that the ship involved in this incident may be the British "SS Shenkiang", which was scheduled to sail from Shanghai 21 June. The "Shenkiang" had been detained in Shanghai as a result of the recent mining incident in the Yangtze River estuary.

b. Information received 21 June 49 indicated that Shanghai was being subjected to an air raid (presumably by the CAF), supporting the probability that the British ship was bombed rather than taken under fire by Communist shore batteries. Recent Communist efforts to reopen the Shanghai port to foreign trade also minimize the probability that shore fire was responsible for this incident.

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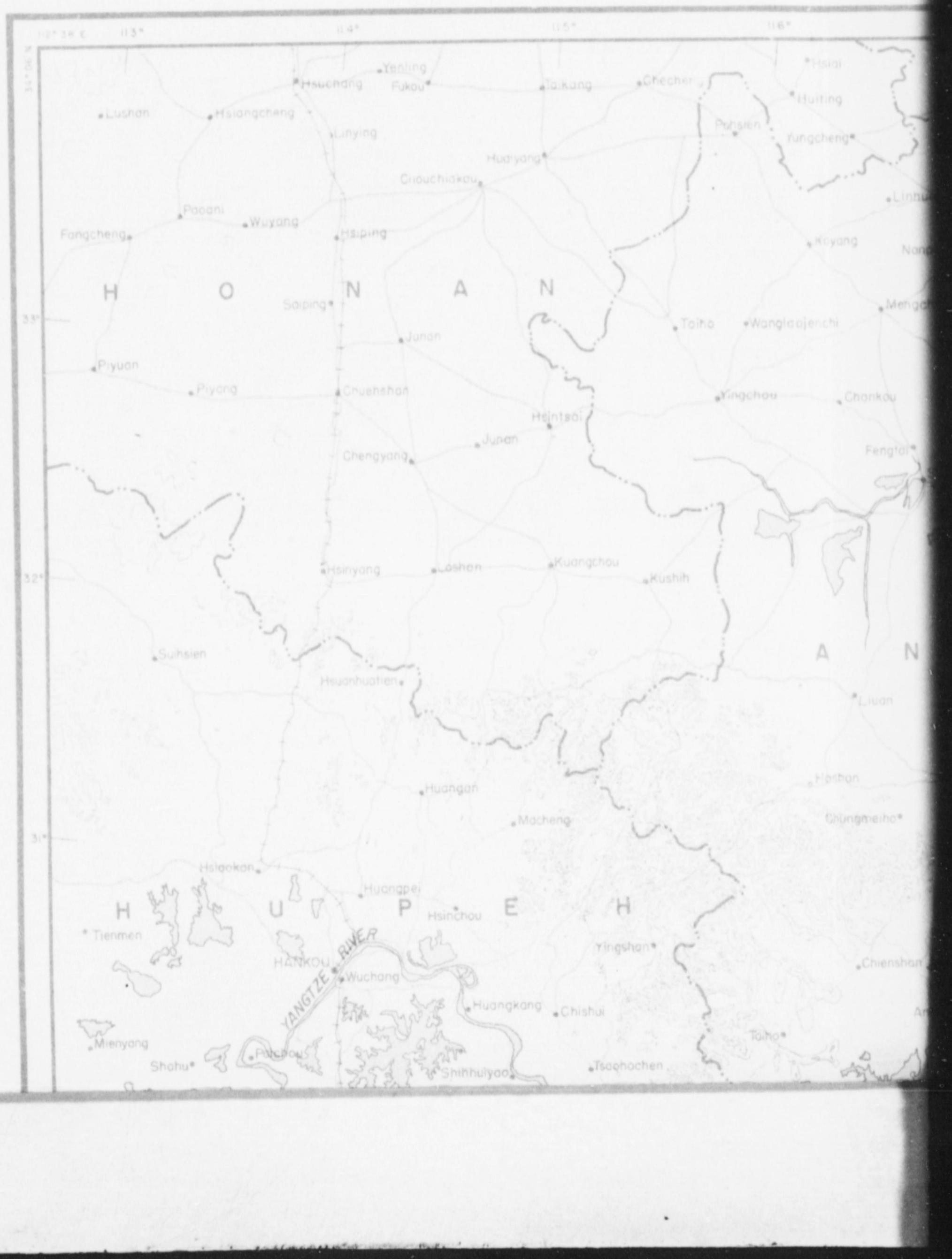

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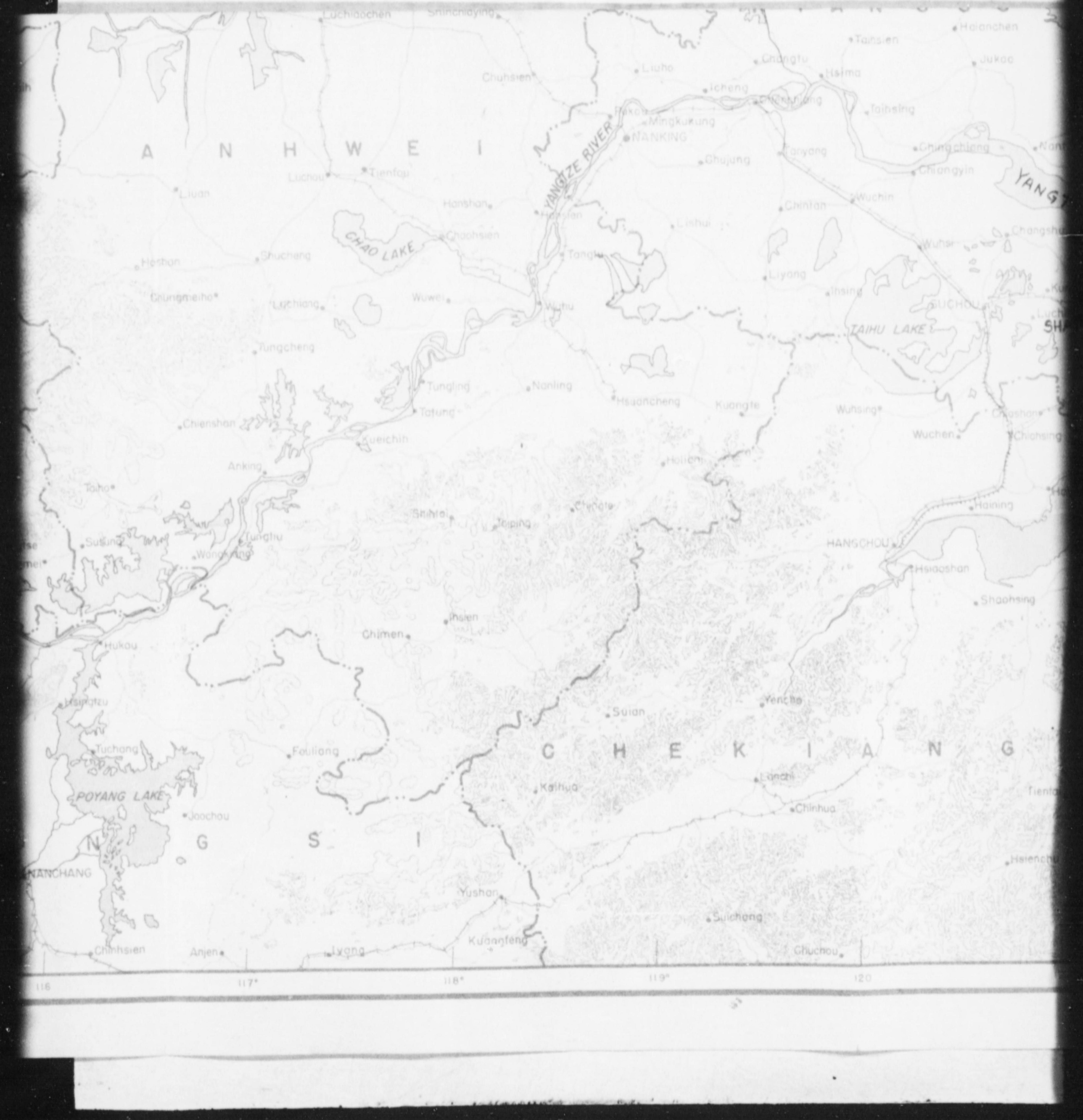

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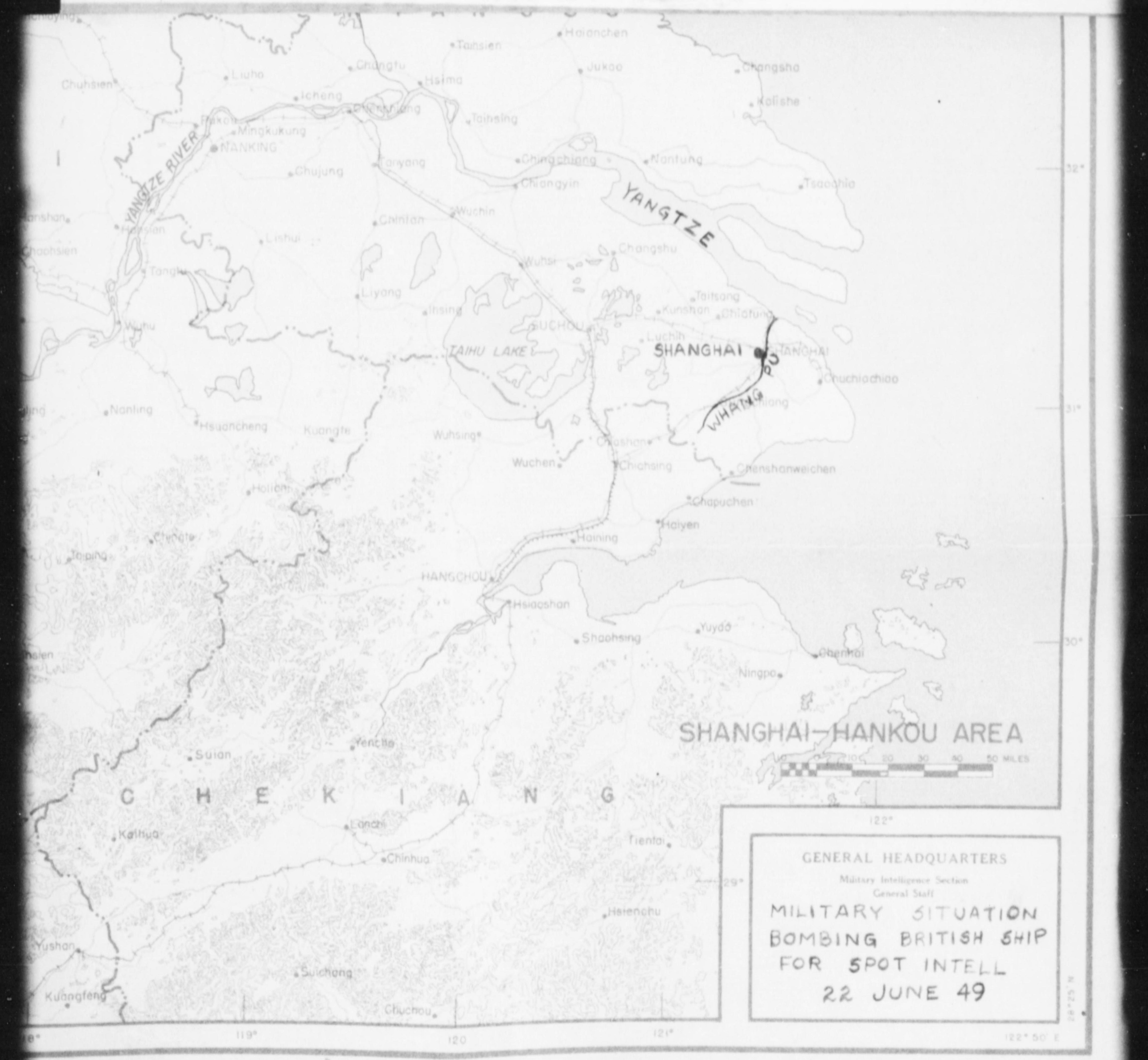

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

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HOUR: 0905
DATE: 22 June 1949

SUBJECT: Typhoon "Della" Damages

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that typhoon "Della" caused considerable property damage and some loss of life in Kyushu, Shikoku and Southern Honshu.

b. Damage caused was most noticeable in Kagoshima, Ehime, Kochi, Tokushima, Fukuoka, and Yamaguchi prefectures.

c. In Kagoshima, 27 persons were reported to have been killed. An unestimated amount of property damage including around 100 houses destroyed or damaged, 29 ships damaged, telephone and other utilities disrupted.

d. Over 500 persons are reported missing in Ehime prefecture and an estimated 350 vessels of all types sunk or destroyed.

e. Railroads and highways throughout these areas were considerably damaged and telephone service is operating at about 50% in the affected areas.

2. G-2 Comment: Although there is considerable property damage and some loss of life in the affected areas, it is believed the consequences are not of such gravity as to be cause for undue alarm.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe

b. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; G-2, Eighth Army; G-3; G-4; CTS; GS; PH&W; CCS; CI&E; FEAF; ComNavFe.

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HOUR: 1815
DATE: 20 June 1949

SUBJECT: Flood Damage, Kochi Prefecture

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that due to heavy rains roads in the southern pass of KOCHI Prefecture have become impassable for vehicular traffic in ten places on 19 June 1949.

b. It is reported 215 homes have been flooded and 200 of these are in danger of washing away.

c. No casualties have been reported and occupational forces are not affected.

2. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe and instructed to report results of damage of the recent heavy rains fall or typhoon conditions.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, G-1, G-3, PSD, PH&W, Medical Section and Provost Marshal Section.

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HOUR: 1245
DATE: 18 June 1949

SUBJECT: Retention of KMAG in South Korea Protested

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. The following information was received by telephone from G-2, USAFIK, at 1200 hours, 18 June 1949:

(1) Sixty-two members of the progressive bloc in the Korean Republic's National Assembly signed a resolution, 18 June, protesting the retention of the U.S. Korean Military Advisory Group in South Korea. The resolution expressed fear that retention of KMAG will place Korea in a situation similar to that of Greece.

2. G-2 Comments/Deductions:

a. G-2 USAFIK stated that there is no likelihood that the resolution would pass if put to a vote in the Assembly. Apparently President RHEE has taken steps to assure that a sufficient number of his rightist supporters are present in the Assembly to preclude passage of such a resolution. The progressive bloc of Assemblymen recently took advantage of the absence of RHEE's supporters from the Assembly, and passed important resolutions, including a demand for the resignation of the President's Cabinet.

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HOUR: 1310
DATE: 17 June 1949

SUBJECT: Labor Disorder in Hiroshima

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Reports dated 1300 hours and 1930 hours, 16 June 1949, subject as above, wherein were reported disorders occurring at the Hiroshima plant of the Japan Steel Company on 14 and 15 June 1949.

b. CIC reported that as of 1900 hours, 16 June 1949, demonstrations were continuing, with approximately 6,000 demonstrators gathered in front of the Japan Steel Company plant. The crowd was composed of members of the National Railway Workers' Union, All Communications Workers' Union, and All-Japan Metal Workers' Union from Hiroshima City, members of the Mitsubishi Rolling Stock Union from Mihara City, and the Mitsubishi Heavy Industry Union from Gion-machi. Approximately 800 police were inside the plant, and the crowd made no attempt to gain admittance at that time.

c. By 2030 hours, 16 June 1949, the crowd had dwindled to approximately 2,500 persons. At 2230 hours, the crowd battered down the main gate of the plant and threw rocks at the police stationed within the plant, but were unable to gain admittance. The Hiroshima Municipal Police requested aid of the Kure Municipal Police, who in turn asked the BCOF Military Police to send aid. The request was denied however.

d. CIC reports that at 0030 hours, 17 June 1949, the Japan Steel Workers' Union gave orders for the crowd to disband and await further orders. The demonstrators dispersed slowly, and by 0830 hours, 17 June 1949, all had left the vicinity of the plant. Approximately 450 police remained at the plant at that time.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Further violence at the Japan Steel Company Hiroshima plant may be avoided if the efforts of the Hiroshima Prefectural Labor Relations Committee to bring about a settlement of the dispute are successful.

b. The most notable feature of the mass demonstrations and clashes between workers and police which have occurred at this plant is the all-out support given by Communist-line labor unions such as the National Congress of Industrial Unions affiliates, the National Railway Workers' Union, and others. The Hiroshima dispute appears to be another in the current series of JCP-instigated "guerrilla" strikes, designed to culminate in a large-scale labor offensive in August or September 1949.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CPM; PSD; CPC; G-2, Eighth Army; G-3; G-4.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1930
DATE: 16 June 1949

SUBJECT: Labor Disorders in Hiroshima

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report dated 1300 16 June 49, Subject: Labor Disorder in Hiroshima. CIC report dated 1445, 16 June 49, stated that casualities to date in disturbances at the Japan Iron and Steel Company were all minor and totaled 22 demonstrators and 30 policemen. 28 demonstrators arrested are being held at Yoshijima Prison.

b. CIC reported at 1720 16 June 49 that another demonstration involving some 6,000 union members was scheduled for this evening at Hiroshima.

c. Subsequent CIC reports at 1840 and 1930, 16 June 49, revealed that the demonstration took place as scheduled. Demonstrators started converging on the main entrance of the Japan Iron and Steel Company in groups of 200-300, at about 1700, 16 June 49. Union groups were on hand from Toyo Kogyo Company, Mitsubishi Shipbuilding Company, Mihara Rolling Stock Company, Japan Steel Workers' Union and League of Koreans Residing in Japan, as well as Japan's Iron and Steel Union. Total attendance of union members was estimated as 6,000 at 1930. No disturbance or disorders occurred at that time. It was reported informally that 3 union representatives were to meet with company officials and negotiate their grievances.

2. G-2 Comment: Barring unforeseen incidents it is not believed any violence will occur. The use of BCOF troops on 15 June appears to have convinced the demonstrators that they will achieve more through orderly negotiations.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CPM; G-2, Eighth Army; G-3; PSD; CPC; G-4.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1300
DATE: 16 June 1949

SUBJECT: Labor Disorder in Hiroshima

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. A management-labor dispute in the Hiroshima Branch of the Japan Iron and Steel Company which begain with the 2 June 1949 announcement that 712 of the approximately 2800 employees of that plant would be laid-off in the near future has swelled to major proportions. First use of force occurred on 12 June 1949 when approximately 1800 members of the Japan Iron and Steel Company Workers' Union, supported by representatives of other labor unions entered the grounds of the plant and detained eight Company officials by force. One official was beaten and the others intimidated.

b. On 14 June 1949, the Plant was closed by the management because of a mob of 1800 persons which was milling about the Plant compound. This mob was formed of members of the Japan Iron and Steel Company Workers' Union, Electrical Workers', Private Railway Workers' and Teachers' Unions. Mob was urged to continue the struggle by Yamaguchi Diet member, TANAKA Gyohei.

c. On 15 June 1949, demonstration was continued on Plant premises by a mob of 2100 members of various labor unions. By 0605 hours, 15 June 1949, a force of 750 police had entered the Plant grounds and ejected all demonstrators except for approximately 50 persons held in arrest. Police in forcing their way into the plant were opposed by multiple ranks of demonstrators with arms linked together. Sporadic fist fights developed but no major violence occurred.

d. CIC reports that at 2115 hours, 15 June 1949, approximately 5000 demonstrators attempted to enter the plant grounds resulting in a clash wherein 200 people were injured. An unconfirmed report states that 2 workers died of wounds.

e. CIC reports that at 2300 hours, 15 June 1949, 2 platoons of infantry (BCOF) moved into the plant grounds where they remained until around 0200 hours, 16 June 1949. The strikers dispersed around 0015, 16 June 1949.

2. G-2 Comment: Tactics of open defiance of police and governmental authority employed by strikers follow a pattern similar to that utilized by Communist infiltrated unions in other recent strikes.

3. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CPM; G-2, Eighth Army; G-3, PSD; CPC; G-4.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1645
Date: 11 June 1949

SUBJECT: Labor Dispute of Railway Conductors

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CCD reports that a news flash aired over station JOAK at 1415 hours, stated that the Central Struggle Committee of the Government Railway Workers' Union issued an order to end the strike and ordered employees back to work.

b. Confidential source confirmed above report and stated that in implementing the order, trouble is expected over whether dismissed workers will be allowed to go back to work by the Government. Same source also reported that agitators in the Nakano and Kamata Districts are demanding a written cease-strike order from the Occupation authorities.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. In spite of the order issued by the Central Struggle Committee, an immediate resumption of normal train operations on affected lines is not anticipated.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, GS, ESS, CTS, CPM, G-4 (Transportation), G-3, Hq & Sv Gp, G-2 Eighth Army.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

NOTED BY OPS

Hour: 1445
Date: 11 June 1949

SUBJECT: "People's Funeral" in Palace Plaza

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
   a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject as above, dated 1300 hours, 10 June 49.
   b. By 1300 hours, approximately 5000 people were assembled in the Palace Plaza where speeches were being made. CIC reported that meetings were conducted without incident.
   c. The demonstration got under way about 1420 hours and is proceeding in an orderly manner.
2. Action:
   a. CIC continues to observe.
   b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, Tokyo PM, CPM, ESS, GS, G-3, G-2 8th Army, G-4, Hq & Sv Gp.

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NOTE:
Gen Marquat reports that all men are returning to work as strikes orders can be issued as of 1330.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1330
Date: 11 June 1949

SUBJECT: Government Railway Workers' Strikes

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, dated 1515 hours, 10 June 49, subject: Railway Workers' Strikes. All subsequent information received from CIC indicates that the Government Railway Workers (Kokutetsu) strike situation is becoming more serious.

b. CIC reports that strike activity is centering about the Higashi-Kanagawa and Kamata sub-branches of Kokutetsu. The Higashi-Kanagawa sub-branch on the evening of 10 June 49, voted to ignore the order of railway officials which demanded that all strikers return to their jobs. All attempts by police to maintain order and make arrests of strike leaders have been openly defied by the striking workers in the Higashi-Kanagawa area.

c. CIC reports that the situation in the Chiba Branch of Kokutetsu is improving, with workers having voted not to continue strike in that area. However, they are still being agitated by Communist Party members and members of sympathetic labor unions in an effort to force the Chiba Kokutetsu workers to continue their strike activities.

d. Strikers at both Higashi-Kanagawa and Kamata stations on the Keihin (Tokyo-Yokohama) line have made several attempts to interfere with operation of cars for Occupation Forces. Operation of trains on the Keihin line remains at a standstill with the exception of occasional trains for Occupation Forces.

e. Communist line labor organizations, notably those affiliated with the NCIU, are voicing all out support of the Kokutetsu dispute and groups representing these unions are encouraging the Kokutetsu strikers at all centers of strike activity. In this connection, the National Convention of the All-Communication Workers' Union (Zentei) voted at its closing session on 10 June 49 to give all-out support to the Kokutetsu dispute, even to the extent of conducting strikes if necessary.

f. Information received from the Prime Minister's Office discloses that a Cabinet meeting was held on 10 June, wherein it was decided to take a "get tough" attitude toward the strikers. Accordingly, the Attorney General and the Transportation Minister are planning to take immediate and positive action to bring the strike under control.

2. G-2 Comment: On the basis of all information received from CIC sources, it is believed that the Kokutetsu strike situation may become more serious. Evidence of Communist instigation has been noted in all phases of the Kokutetsu dispute. A complete defiance of Japanese authority, and in several cases of Occupation Forces' orders, would appear to indicate the seriousness of the situation.

3. Action:

a. CIC will observe and report any further developments.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, GS, ESS, CTS, CPM, G-4 (Transportation Section), G-3, Hq & Sv Gp, G-2 Eighth Army.

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HOUR: 1745
DATE: 10 June 1949

SUBJECT: Message from Soviets to NCIU and Zenroren

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CCD reports that the following message has been received by KAN Makoto, Chairman of the National Congress of Industrial Unions (NCIU) and by WATANABE Michio of the National Liaison Council of Labor Unions (Zenroren) from the All-Union Central Council of Trade Unions, Moscow:

"AUCCTU thanks National Congress Industrial Unions, National Liaison Council and all working men, women Japan for their friendly greetings Tenth Trade Union Congress and working class USSR.
"Regret American Occupational authorities deprived Japanese Democratic Trade Unions of sending delegates our Congress. Soviet Trade Unions wish you success in fight for peace, trade union freedom and improving material conditions Japanese workers.
L Soloviev, Secretary, AUCCTU."

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Message is in reference to the labor union convention held in Moscow, 19 April 49, to which representatives from the NCIU and Zenroren had been invited. Both KAN and WATANABE are members of the Japan Communist Party. This message indicates the friendly relationship that exists between these Communist-dominated Japanese labor organizations and the Soviets.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC; Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; DS; GS; ESS

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1515
DATE: 10 June 1949

SUBJECT: Railway Workers' Strikes

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, dated 9 June 1949, 1800 hours, subject: "Government Railway Worker's Dispute". CIC reports that the present wave of strikes by Chapters of the Government Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu) in the Tokyo-Kanagawa area has tied up approximately 50% of the interurban train service and is inconveniencing more than a million residents of Tokyo and Yokohama.

b. Kokutetsu strikes are confined to the Tokyo-Kanagawa area at present; however, CIC has learned that the Central Committee of the Japan Communist Party has planned to expand the present Kokutetsu strike activity into a nationwide strike wave.

c. CIC reports that various labor unions are to participate in labor agitation in vicinity of Kawasaki, Tsurumi, Hodogaya, Totsuka, Kanazawa, Higashi-Kanagawa, Fujisawa, Ofuna and Odawara railway stations, in support of the strikes by Kokutetsu.

d. Kanagawa prefectural committee, JCP, is issuing daily leaflets to all JCP organizations. These leaflets, although entitled "Struggle Daily Report," ostensibly reporting strike news, are in fact worded to incite further strikes.

2. G-2 Comment: It is believed the Kokutetsu strikes may serve to touch off a widespread series of strikes by Government Railway Workers, in defiance of both the Japanese Government and the Occupation. The Communist-dominated Central Struggle Committee of Kokutetsu has made no effort to halt the present strikes, and in fact appears to be encouraging further strike activity.

3. Action:

a. CIC will observe and report any further developments.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC; GS; ESS; CTS; CPM; G-4; G-3; Hq & Sv Gp; G-2, 8th Army; and PSD.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1300
DATE: 10 June 1949

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SUBJECT: "People's Funeral" in Palace Plaza

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that a "People's Funeral" will be held at Imperial Palace Plaza, Tokyo, beginning at 1300 hours, 11 June 1949. The "funeral" is for HASHIMOTO Kinji, Tokyo streetcar worker who died of injuries in the demonstration of 30 May 1949, staged to oppose the Public Safety Ordinance. Sponsors expect attendance of 100,000. The demonstration is being sponsored by the "Joint Struggle Committee of Opposition to the Public Safety Ordinance" in which the following organizations are represented: National Congress of Industrial Unions (NCIU); Government Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu); National Liaison Council of Labor Unions (Zenroren); National Council of Government Workers' Unions (Zenkanko); and Federation of Tokyo Metropolitan Workers' Unions (Tororen).

b. Schedule for the rally is as follows: 1230 hours, assembly; 1400 hours, speeches to start; 1400 hours, demonstrations to start; 1630 hours, dispersal.

c. Following meeting in Plaza, demonstration will be staged along two routes of march. Both columns will begin march from Plaza; one will terminate in Hibiya Park after going past Diet; other will terminate at Ueno Park.

d. Responsible person is SUZUKI Katsuo, official of the Kokutetsu Union (member of the Japan Communist Party).

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Information in G-2 files reveals that the sponsoring organizations are under control or strong influence of the JCP, and that the Communists are giving full support to this activity.

b. Although the sponsors estimate of 100,000 attendance is probably highly exaggerated (G-2 estimate 20,000), it is possible that the unruly element in the 30 May demonstration will again participate and present a potential source of trouble.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, Tokyo PM, PM, ESS, GS, G-3, 8th Army, G-4, Hq & Sv Gp.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1800
Date: 9 June 1949

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SUBJECT: Government Railway Workers' Dispute

: Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Officials of the Government Railways ~~officials~~ ordered conductors of Chiba, Kamatsu, Higashi-Kanagawa and Nakano divisions to start a 48-hour work week effective 1 June 49. Conductors in these divisions declared that the new system will result in mass discharges and therefore commence a "union control of working schedules" in defiance of the railway officials' order.

b. CIC reported that on 6 June 49 Tokyo Railways Bureau ordered the discharge of 10 conductors from Higashi-Kanagawa Division and 9 conductors from Chiba Division for violation of the National Railway Law. The persons discharged were primarily responsible for instigating the "union control of the working schedules". In opposition to dismissal of these members, all train service on Yokohama line, Tsurumi line and Takashima line ceased at 1050 9 June 49. The Higashi-Kanagawa station is being controlled by members of the striking union.

c. Kanagawa MG Team notified Union officials to bring operations back to normal as soon as possible.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Although the 8-hour working day was enforced for most Government employees in January 1949, the Government Railways have not attempted to institute such measures until now, due to the numerous operational changes involved. They are now commencing to enforce the 8-hour day as a preliminary measure to the extensive personnel retrenchment scheduled to take place in the Government Railways in the near future.

b. Following the recent shift of the national leadership of Kokutetsu to the left, it is believed that the union may resort to numerous illegal tactics in an all-out opposition campaign against personnel retrenchment and the institution of various measures such as the eight-hour day which must necessarily preceed the retrenchment. Both the Higashi-Kanagawa Sub-Branch and the Shimbashi Branch of Kokutetsu are known to be hotbeds of Communist activity.

3. Action:

a. CIC will observe and report further significant developments.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, GS, ESS, CTS, G-4 (Transportation Section) CPM, Tokyo PM, Hq & Sv Gp, G-2 8th Army, and G-3, MG.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1530
Date: 9 June 1949

SUBJECT: Ransom of Japanese Fishing Boats by Soviets

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Four Japanese fishing boats, the HOYO Maru, HATTO Maru, SAKI Maru and SOYO Maru, were apprehended by Soviet patrols between 7-18 October 1948.

b. Investigation disclosed that the captains and crews of the aforementioned boats were imprisoned in Toyohara on 5 Nov 48 after an exhaustive interrogation by the Soviet authorities in Karafuto. The captain of each ship was fined $500.00 (U.S.) and sentenced to five months imprisonment for illegal fishing in Soviet waters.

c. A letter from the Soviet Mission, dated 2 April 49, requested SCAP to instruct the Japanese Government to pay these four $500.00 fines. Diplomatic Section, in reply to the Soviet letter, flatly refused any such proposal and further requested the Soviets to return the four fishing boats and their crews.

d. Prior to the return of the four ships' crews from Karafuto on 14 May 49, the captains were notified by the Soviets that the HOYO Maru was being retained in escrow by them pending payment of the sum stipulated. The Soviets stated that the fishermen owed them a total of $8,736.00, including the $2,000.00 in fines already levied. The remaining $6,736.00 was for expenses incurred by the ships and their crews.

e. The captain of the HOYO Maru was told by the Soviets to "collect the money in American dollars and take it to the Soviet Embassy in Tokyo and forward same to Lt Gen Dervyanko." The captain was further told that, upon receipt of the payment, he would be free to return to Karafuto and receive his boat.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. Perhaps this is a forerunner of shakedown tactics on the part of the Soviets.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, DS, GS.

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HOUR: 1250
DATE: 8 June 1949

SUBJECT: South Korean Assembly Adjourns and Demands Resignation of Cabinet

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. The following information was received by telephone from G-2 USAFIK at 1140 hours, 8 Jun 49:

(1) The South Korean National Assembly adjourned, 7 Jun, until 13 Jun, in a protest against President RHEE Syngman's obstructionism toward legislative policy. The adjournment resolution was passed 87 to 13, with 57 abstentions, and stipulated that the Assembly would consider no government measures unless President RHEE complied with the following demands: (a) the mass resignation of the entire Cabinet in compliance with the Assembly's previous resolution of 3 Jun; (b) the Special Investigating Committee for the National Traitor Law be permitted to function without governmental interference; and (c) that CHANG Kyung Keun, Vice Minister of Home Affairs, resign. Immediate cause of the Assembly's adjournment was the arrest of several members of the Special Investigating Committee on 6 Jun. The members were released from custody on 7 Jun.

2. G-2 Comments/Deductions:

a. USAFIK G-2 expressed the belief that the Assembly's action will make it difficult for either the legislative or executive branch of the government to extricate itself from the situation by other than a face-losing exit. President RHEE usually can muster sufficient strength in the Assembly to control the voting. It is believed that the progressive bloc of legislators is behind the Assembly resolution. Three Ministers have been replaced and one Minister appointed in RHEE's Cabinet since the Assembly's resolution of 3 Jun demanding the resignation of his entire Cabinet. It is anticipated that President RHEE and his Cabinet members will meet with the Assembly on 13 Jun to solve the situation.

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3. Action:

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1900
Date: 3 June 1949

SUBJECT: Fall of Tsingtao Rumored

TO : Chief of Staff

1. An unconfirmed news flash from the FRANCE PRESSE (formerly HAVAS) states that Tsingtao fell to the Communists this afternoon.

2. No confirmation to this report could be obtained from American News Services or from the Navy.

3. Action:
a. None.
b. Following agencies notified: C-in-C, C/S, G-1, G-3, G-4, Diplomatic Section, Government Section.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE HOUR: 1615
DATE: 3 June 1949

SUBJECT: South Korean Assembly's Demand for Resignation of Cabinet

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. The following information was received by telephone from G-2 USAFIK at 1515 hours, 3 June 1949:

(1) The Korean Republic's National Assembly passed a resolution 3 June calling for the resignation of President RHEE Syngman's entire cabinet. The resolution was passed by a vote of 82 to 61. Immediate cause of this action was attributed to activities of the Governor of North Cholla Province, who has been conducting a drive to secure funds for the support of police and other local organizations. The Governor was first to come under the fire of the Assembly, and was quickly followed by the Home Minister and the entire Cabinet. The resolution was passed during the absence of many of RHEE's rightist supporters.

2. G-2 Comments/Deductions:

a. USAFIK G-2 expressed the belief that passing of the resolution demanding the resignation of the Cabinet is a continuation of the long-standing feud between the executive and legislative branches of the Government. Although the reason given for the resolution was the objectionable activities of the Governor of North Cholla Province, it is possible that the feud was brought to a head by President RHEE's recent tactics of returning objectionable bills to the Assembly, without vetoing them, thus preventing their enactment. The National Assembly does not have authority to force the resignation of the Cabinet, according to the Republic's Constitution. It is believed that RHEE will not react favorably on the Assembly's resolution.

3. Action:

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3. Action:

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REVIEWED BY

Hour: 1800
Date: 31 May 1949

SUBJECT: Demonstration at Tokyo Prefectural Office

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Police succeeded in dispersing the crowd in the streets of the Prefectural Building area shortly after 1730 hours, making forty-five (45) arrests. Small groups, some with flags, continued to mill around, but there was no indication that organized mob resistance would be resumed. At least three (3) JCP flags were flown from higher buildings in the area by small parties of young demonstrators.

b. Japanese police will maintain their guard around the building all night.

2. Action:

a. CIC will continue to observe.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, PMO, Hq & Sv Gp., PSD, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1715
DATE: 31 May 1949

SUBJECT: Demonstration at Tokyo Prefectural Office

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. Reference is made to Spot Intelligence Report, subject: "Demonstration at Tokyo Prefectural Office", dated 31 May 1949, 1300 hours.

b. By 1620 hours approximately 3,000 persons had assembled in the courtyard of Tokyo prefectural office to take part in the second demonstration to protest the public safety law now before the Tokyo prefectural assembly.

c. CIC reported that the Yanagishima Branch of the "Japan Federation of Municipal Communications Workers' Union" went on strike protesting the death of the laborer who fell from a third floor window of the prefectural office.

d. No violence or incidents has occurred; however, police were making plans to disperse the demonstrators which may result in violent reaction on the part of the demonstrators.

2. G-2 Comment: The Public Safety Law has been the object of intense Communist party opposition since early March 1949. The participants in the demonstration are for the most part youth elements in Communist dominated labor organizations such as the All Communications Workers' Union (Zentei), the All Japan Government and Public Office Workers' Union and the All-Japan Printing and Publishing Workers' Union. Indications are that the present demonstrations are directly the result of Communist agitation sponsored by the Japan Communist Party.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe and will report anything of significance.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, PMO, Hq & Sv Gp., PSD, G-3.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

HOUR: 1300
DATE: 31 May 1949

SUBJECT: Demonstration at Tokyo Prefectural Office

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. A riotous demonstration was held at the Tokyo prefectural office at 1200 to 2400 hours, 30 May 1949, wherein one laborer was killed and 16 Japanese policemen were injured.

b. The demonstration was staged to protest the new public safety law, raising of electricity and water rates and to demand employment and food.

c. By 2300 hours, 350 Japanese policemen were at the scene of the demonstration, where a total of 800 to 1300 persons consisting primarily of laborers, repatriates and students were participating.

d. About two platoons of military police patrolled the demonstration.

2. G-2 Comment: A similar demonstration is scheduled to be held today in the same vicinity where further clashes between the police and demonstrators is a possibility. By 1200 hours, CIC reported that approximately 800 demonstrators had gathered in the area.

3. Action:

a. CIC continues to observe and will report anything of significance.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, PMO, Hq and Sv. Gp., PSD, G-3.

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Hour: 1915
Date: 28 May 1949

SUBJECT: Captain's Body Found at Sea by Fisherman

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:
a. CIC reports that at 0700, 28 May 1949, a Japanese fishing boat brought in body of an unidentified Air Force Captain. Head and legs below knees were missing. Pilot's uniform and parachute were still on the body.

2. Action:
a. Japanese Police notified M.P.'s and Yamato Air Base. Miyagi MG notified Tohoku MG District.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, PMO, G-2 8th Army, A-2 FEAF.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

CAW/LJF/11h

Hour: 1200
Date: 25 May 1949

SUBJECT: Shanghai Falls

TO : Commander-in-Chief and Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. According to an AP dispatch, which has been confirmed by several following ones, Shanghai fell to the Chinese Communists this morning shortly after 0600. There was no confusion, the Communists marched in without fighting, stringing telephone wires as they came. Many disarmed Nationalist troops were observed but apparently not confined in any way. There was no street fighting observed. The Communist paid no attention to foreigners, and there are no reports of molestation. A large grouping of vessels was observed in the general vicinity of Woosung.

b. Although some large units may have withdrawn, it would appear to AP observers that the bulk of the Nationalist defenders surrendered without fighting.

2. Action:

a. None.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff, SCAP and FEC, G-1, G-3, G-4, JSPOG, Diplomatic.

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SPOT INTELLIGENCE

Hour: 1130
Date: 21 May 1949

SUBJECT: Railway Workers Seek Support of Soviets in Opposition to Personnel Bill

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. It has been reliably reported that the Government Railway Workers' Union (Kokutetsu) is seeking the support of the Soviet Member, Allied Council for Japan, in an appeal against the Table of Personnel Organization Bill now pending in the Diet.

2. G-2 Comment:

a. The Table of Personnel Organization Bill, which will bring about substantial personnel reductions among railway workers and other Government employees, has been the target of intense opposition from all Government workers' unions. This opposition has been spearheaded by Kokutetsu, now under strong Communist influence, and has received the all-out support of the Japan Communist Party. The practice of appealing to the Soviet Member for aid in opposing Japanese Government measures has been resorted to on a number of previous occasions by Communist-dominated labor organizations. It is felt that the action taken by Kokutetsu is a clear indication of the increase in Communist strength within the national headquarters of the union which followed the recent election of union officers.

3. Action:

a. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, GS and DS.

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NOTED BY C/S

SPOT INTELLIGENCE Hour: 1930
Date: 20 May 1949

SUBJECT: Alleged Plot to Sabotage Emperor's Train in Kyushu

TO : Chief of Staff

1. Information:

a. CIC reports that a member of an unidentified ultra-nationalist organization has alleged that an attempt will be made by the Communist cell of the Government Railway Workers' Union at Tosu-machi, Miyaki-gun, Saga Prefecture, to sabotage the train in which the Emperor is touring Kyushu. No details as to exact time or place were reported.

2. G-2 Comment:

Although reliability of above-mentioned source is doubtful,and no other reports of sabotage plans have yet been received, several recent CIC reports from usually reliable sources indicate that if the opportunity is presented, the Communists may instigate disorders during the Emperor's tour. It has also been reported that Communists in Kumamoto Prefecture have been rehearsing speeches and other means of heckling the Emperor and his entourage during their visit in that prefecture. Twenty-one Communists were arrested on 11 May 1949 for threatening the Governor of Fukuoka Prefecture who had arrived in Yahata City on that date to make preparations to welcome the Emperor. The Governor was held incommunicado by these Communists when he refused their demands for an audience.

3. Action:

a. CIC is investigating allegation concerning possible sabotage of train, and will report findings.

b. Following agencies notified: ADC, Deputy Chiefs of Staff SCAP and FEC, G-3, DS, PMO, G-2 Eighth Army, PSD.

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